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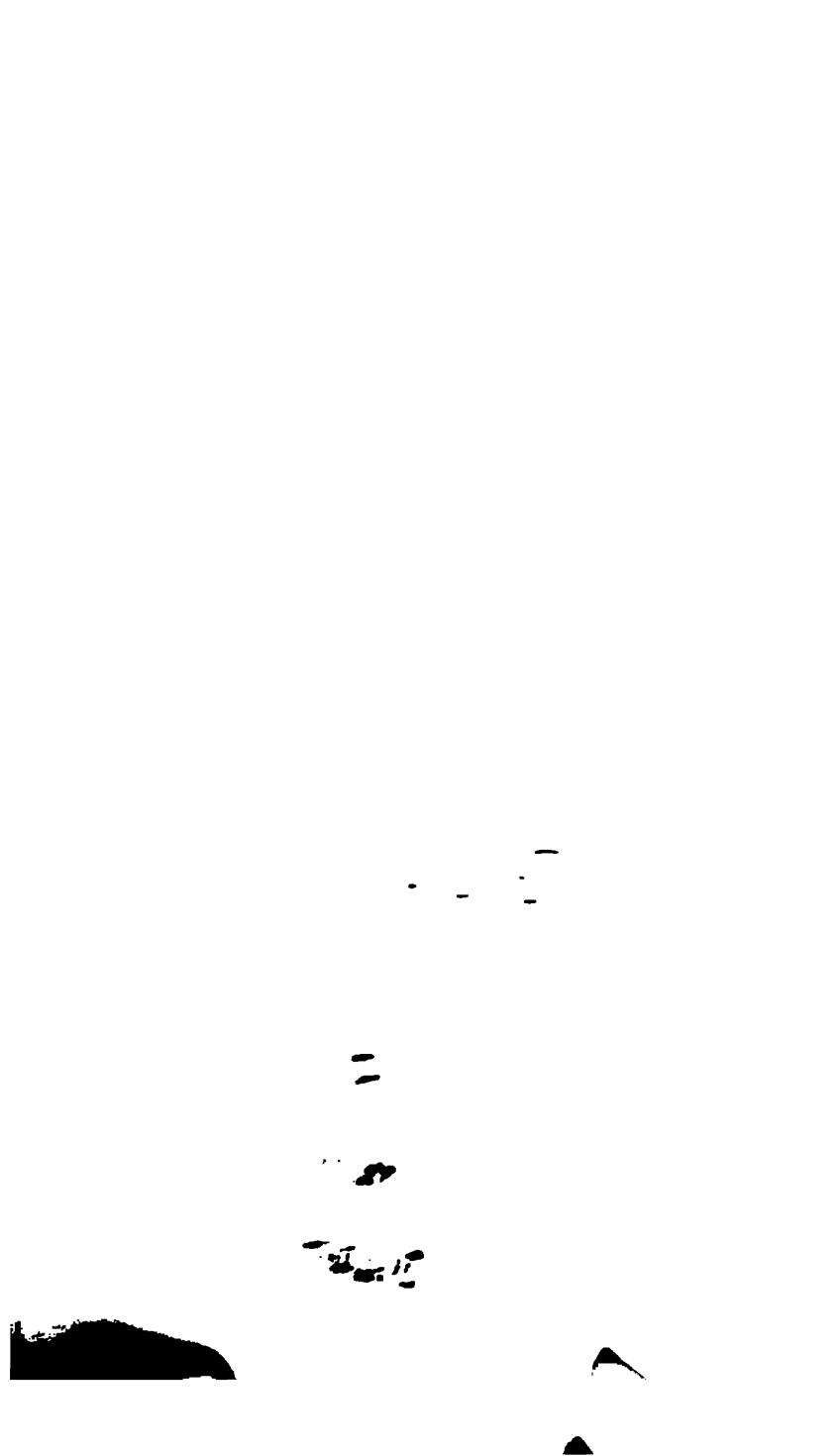
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LIST OF THE CLERGY

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This mark designates the Alumni of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.*

- THE Right Rev Benjamin T Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop, and Professor of the Nature, Ministry, and Polity of the Church in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.
- Rev. Norman H. Adams, rector of St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, Otsego county, and St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenango county.
- Rev. William Allanson, missionary at Stillwater, and Mechanicsville, Saratoga county.
- Rev. Ethan Allen, Deacon.
- Rev. Edward Andrews, rector of Christ Church, Binghamton, Broome county.
- Rev. George B. Andrews, rector of Zion Church, Wappinger's Creek, Dutchess county.
- Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D., an assistant minister of Trinity Church, New-York.
- Rev. Henry S. Attwater, missionary at Little Falls, Herkimer county.
- *Rev. Pierre T. Babbit, Deacon.
- Rev. Deodatus Babcock, missionary at Ballston Spa, and Saratoga Springs, Saratoga county.
- Rev. Amos G. Baldwin, rector of St. Paul's Church, Aurora, Cayuga county.
- Rev. William Barlow, rector of St. John's Church, Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence county.
- *Rev. Liberty A. Barrows, missionary at Sherburne, Chenango county.
- Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, rector of St. Clement's Church, New-York.
- Rev. Seth W. Beardsley, missionary at Moravia, Cayuga county.
- Rev. Alva Bennett, Principal of the Livingston county High School, Geneseo, Livingston county.
- Rev. Moses P. Bennet.
- Rev. William Berrian, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, including St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels, New-York.
- Rev. Moore Bingham, missionary at Hampton, Washington county.
- Rev. James A. Bolles, rector of St. James' Church, Batavia, Genesee county.
- Rev. William W. Bostwick, missionary at Hammond's Port and Bath, Steuben county.
- Rev. Charles W. Bradley, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county.
- Rev. Johnson A. Prayton, Deacon, missionary at Norwich, Chenango county.
- Rev. Thomas Breintnall, rector of Zion Church, New-York.
- Rev. George Bridgeman.
- Rev. Thomas S. Brittan, Rector of St. Paul's Free Church, Brooklyn.
- Rev. Daniel E. Brown, Superintendent of the Missionary Establishment at Green Bay.
- Rev. David Brown, missionary at St. Augustine, Florida.
- Rev. John Brown, rector of St. George's Church, Newburgh, and St. Thomas' Church, New Windsor, Orange county.
- *Rev. John W. Brown, Deacon, officiating in Christ Church, New-York, and St. George's Church, Hallet's Cove, Queen's county.

- Rev. Nathaniel F. Bruce, M. D., residing in Rochester.
- Rev. Hilliard Bryant, Missionary to Greece, in the employ of the Board of Missions
- Rev. Nathan B. Burgess, missionary at Richford, Tioga county, and McLean, Tompkins county.
- Rev. Moses Burt, missionary at Cairo, Greene county.
- Rev. Richard Bury, missionary at Potsdam, St. Lawrence county.
- Rev. Leverett Bush, rector of St. Paul's Church, Oxford, Chenango county.
- *Rev. Clement M. Butler, Deacon, officiating in St. Peter's Church, Albany.
- Rev. David Butler, D. D., residing at Troy.
- Rev. Robert Campbell.
- Rev. James D. Carder, rector of St. John's Church, Fort Hamilton, King's county, and Local Secretary of the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.
- Rev. William M. Carmichael, rector of St. George's Church, Hempstead, Queen's county
- Rev. Lawson Carter, rector of Trinity Church, New-Rochelle, Westchester county.
- Rev. Lucius Carter, missionary at Danby, Tompkins county, and Candor, Tioga county.
- *Rev. Peter S. Chauncey, rector of Christ Church, Rye, and St. Thomas' Church, Mamaroneck, Westchester county.
- Rev. Joseph T. Clark, missionary at Skaneateles, Onondaga county.
- Rev. Orange Clark, rector of Grace Church, Rochester.
- *Rev. Thomas Clark, missionary at Holland Patent, Oneida county.
- Rev. William A. Clark, D. D., rector of All Saints' Church, New York.
- Rev. James P. F. Clarke, rector of St. James's Church, Goshen, Orange county.
- Rev. Joseph H. Coit, missionary at Plattsburg, Clinton county.
- Rev. Calvin Colton, Deacon
- Rev. James W. Cooke, assistant minister of St. George's Church, New-York.
- *Rev. William C. Cooley, Deacon.
- *Rev. Richard Cox, missionary to Vicksburg, Mississippi, in the employ of the Board of Missions.
- Rev. William Creighton, D. D., rector of Zion Church, Greenburgh, and Christ Church, Hartsdort, Westchester county.
- Rev. Alexander H. Crosby, rector of St. John's Church, Phillipsburgh, including a chapel at Tuckahoe, Westchester county.
- Rev. Francis H. Cuming, rector of Calvary Church, New-York.
- Rev. Benjamin C. Cutler, D. D., rector of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, King's county.
- Rev. Edward Davis, rector of St. Paul's Church, Charlton, Saratoga county.
- Rev. Solomon Davis, missionary to the Oneida Indians, Duck Creek, Wisconsin, in the employ of the Board of Missions.
- Rev. Jacob W. Diller, assistant minister of St. John's Church, Brooklyn.
- Rev. Benjamin Dorr, Secretary and General Agent of the Domestic Committee of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.
- *Rev. John Dowdney, jun., missionary at Kingston, Ulster county.
- Rev. Palmer Dyer, missionary at Granville, Washington county.
- Rev. Manton Eastburn, D. D., rector of the Church of the Ascension, New-York
- *Rev. Edmund Embury, residing in New-York.
- Rev. John F. Ernst, Deacon, Principal of an Academy, Batavia, Genesee county.
- Rev. Benjamin Evans, Deacon, missionary at Patterson, Putnam county, and North Salem, Westchester county.
- *Rev. John F. Fish, Deacon.
- Rev. George Fiske.
- Rev. Augustus Fitch.
- *Rev. John Murray Forbes, rector of St. Luke's Church, New-York.
- Rev. Edward K. Fowler, missionary at Monticello, Sullivan county.

- Rev. Alexander Frazer, missionary in the city of New-York, in charge of the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists.
- Rev. Samuel Fuller, rector of Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, Albany county.
- Rev. John M. Garfield, Principal of the Albany Female Seminary.
- Rev. Isaac Garvin, missionary at Wethersfield, Genesee county.
- *Rev. Reuben I. Germain, Deacon, assistant minister of All Saints' Church, New-York.
- Rev. John D. Gilbert, missionary at Big Flatts, Tioga county.
- *Rev. Kingston Goddard, Deacon, minister of St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, Dutchess county.
- Rev. Henry Gregory, missionary at Lake Winnebago, Wisconsin, in the employ of the Board of Missions.
- Rev. David Griffith, missionary at Morristown, St. Lawrence county.
- Rev. John Grigg, rector of St. Paul's Church, Eastchester, Westchester county.
- Rev. Charles W. Hackley, Professor of Mathematics in the University of the city of New-York.
- Rev. Benjamin Hale, D. D., President of Geneva College, Geneva, Ontario county.
- Rev. William Hammel, residing in New-York.
- *Rev. Robert W. Harris, rector of Grace Church, Whiteplains, Westchester county.
- *Rev. Abram B. Hart, rector of St. Andrew's Church, New-York.
- Rev. Samuel Haskell, residing at New-Rochelle, Westchester county.
- Rev. Frederick W. Hatch, rector of St. Paul's Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county.
- Rev. Cicero S. Hawks, rector of Trinity Church, Ulster, Ulster county, and St. Paul's Church, Redhook, Dutchess county.
- Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., rector of St. Thomas' Church, New-York.
- Rev. Burton H. Hickox, missionary at Watertown, Jefferson county.
- Rev. Origen P. Holcomb, missionary at Windham, Greene county.
- Rev. Herman Hooker.
- Rev. Reuben Hubbard, residing at Fort Edward, Washington county.
- Rev. Richard T. Huddart, Deacon, Principal of an Academy, New York.
- Rev. John Hughes, missionary at Mount Upton, Chenango county, and Gilbertsville, Otsego county.
- Rev. Aaron Humphrey, missionary at Waddington, St. Lawrence county.
- Rev. David Huntington, rector of St. Peter's Church, Hobart, Delaware county.
- Rev. Nathaniel Huse, rector of St. Peter's Church, Westfield, Chautauque county.
- Rev. Pierre P. Irving, Deacon.
- Rev. William Jackson, rector of St. Stephen's Church, New-York.
- Rev. Hiram Jelliff, missionary at Lithgow, Dutchess county.
- *Rev. Daniel V. M. Johnson, Deacon, minister of Trinity Church, Brooklyn.
- Rev. Evan Malbone Johnson, rector of St. John's Church, Brooklyn, King's county.
- Rev. Samuel R. Johnson.
- Rev. William L. Johnson, rector of Grace Church, Jamaica, Queen's county.
- Rev. Charles Jones, rector of Calvary Church, Homer, Cortland county.
- Rev. George Jones, chaplain in the United States Navy.
- Rev. Lot Jones, missionary in the city of New-York, in charge of the Mission Church of the Epiphany.
- Rev. Henry R. Judah.
- Rev. Thomas S. Judd, rector of St. John's Church, Delhi, Delaware county.
- Rev. Rayaud Kearny, missionary at Avon, Livingston county.
- Rev. James Keeler, missionary at Harpersville, Broome county.
- Rev. Ezra B. Kellogg, missionary in the city of New-York, in charge of the third missionary station.
- Rev. Charles V. Kelly, rector of St. Bartholomew's Church, New-York.
- Rev. Nathan Kingsberry.
- Rev. Nathaniel P. Knapp, Deacon, assistant minister of Grace Church, Jamaica, Queen's county.

List of the Clergy

- *Rev. Henry Lockwood, missionary to China, in the employ of the Board of Missions.
- *Rev. William Lucas, rector of St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga county.
- Rev. Charles Luck.
- Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., rector of Christ Church, New-York.
- Rev. Charles McCahe, rector of St. James' Church, Milton, Saratoga county.
- Rev. Archibald T. K. McCallum, Deacon.
- Rev. John McCarty, rector of Christ Church, Oswego, Oswego county.
- Rev. Stephen M'Hugh, missionary at Waterloo, Seneca county.
- Rev. John McVickar, D. D., Professor of Moral and Intellectual Philosophy, and Political Economy, in Columbia College, New-York.
- Rev. Moses Marcus, rector of Christ Church, Cow Neck, and St. Mary's Church, Hempstead Harbor, Queen's county.
- Rev. Thomas Meachem, missionary at Hunt's Hollow, Allegany county.
- *Rev. Edward N. Mead, rector of St. Paul's Church, Sing Sing, Westchester county.
- *Rev. John F. Messenger.
- Rev. Kendrick Metcalf, rector of St. Mark's Church, Le Roy, Genesee county.
- Rev. James Milnor, D. D., rector of St. George's Church, New-York.
- Rev. Timothy Minor, missionary at West Charlton, Saratoga county.
- Rev. David Moore, rector of St. Andrew's Church, Richmond, including Trinity Chapel, Factoryville, Richmond county.
- Rev. Thomas Morris, missionary at Ellicottville and Olean, Cattaraugus county.
- Rev. William Morris.
- Rev. William A. Muhlenberg, D. D., Principal of the Institute at Flushing, Queen's county.
- Rev. Rufus Murray, missionary at Lewiston, Niagara county.
- Rev. Samuel Nichols, rector of St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, Westchester county.
- *Rev. James D. Nicholson, Deacon.
- Rev. William W. Niles, officiating for a congregation of colored persons, New-York.
- Rev. Leardsley Northrop, residing near Lockport, Niagara county.
- Rev. George H. Norton, missionary at Allen's Hill, Ontario county.
- Rev. William P. Page, Deacon, missionary at Geneseo, Livingston county.
- Rev. Amos Pardee, missionary at Malone, Franklin county.
- *Rev. Isaac Pardee, rector of Christ Church, Hudson.
- *Rev. Frederick F. Peake, Deacon.
- Rev. Henry Peck, missionary at Constantia, Oswego county.
- Rev. Isaac Peck, rector of St. Paul's Church, Troy.
- Rev. Marcus A. Perry, Principal of an Academy, New-Hartford, Oneida county.
- *Rev. Hewlett R. Peters, officiating in Trinity Church, New-York.
- Rev. Joseph F. Phillips, rector of St. Luke's Church, Catskill, Greene county.
- Rev. Samuel Phinney, Principal of an Academy, Newburgh, Orange county.
- Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., Professor of Moral Philosophy and Belles Lettres, in Union College, Schenectady.
- Rev. Horatio Potter, rector of St. Peter's Church, Albany.
- Rev. Jesse Pound, rector of Christ Church, Manlius, Onondaga county.
- Rev. William Powell, rector of St. Peter's Church, Westchester, and Principal of an Academy, West-Farms, Westchester county.
- Rev. Nathaniel O. Preston, missionary at Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer county.
- Rev. Joseph H. Price, rector of St. Paul's Church, Albany.
- Rev. Pierre A. Proal, rector of Trinity Church, Utica.
- *Rev. Henry H. Prout, Deacon.
- Rev. Thomas Pyne.
- *Rev. Roderic H. Ranney, Deacon.
- Rev. Joseph Ransom, Deacon, minister of St. John's Church, Johnstown, Montgomery county.

- Rev. John Reed, D. D., rector of Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county.
- Rev. Thomas C. Reed, Professor in Union College, Schenectady.
- Rev. James C. Richmond, assistant minister of St. Michael's, St. James', St. Mary's, and St. Ann's Churches, New-York.
- Rev. William Richmond, rector of St. Michael's, St. James', St. Mary's, and St. Ann's Churches, New-York.
- Rev. Seth S. Rogers, missionary at Fayetteville, Chenango county.
- Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D., Editor of the Gospel Messenger, Utica.
- Rev. Richard Salmon.
- Rev. Gilbert H. Sayers, residing at Jamaica, Queen's county.
- Rev. John Frederick Schroeder, D. D., an assistant minister of Trinity Church, New-York.
- Rev. Charles Seabury, missionary at Setauket and Islip, Suffolk county.
- Rev. Samuel Seabury, Editor of the Churchman, New-York.
- Rev. Robert Shaw, rector of St. Andrew's Church, Walden, Orange county.
- *Rev. George A. Shelton, rector of St. James' Church, Newtown, and St. George's Church, Hallet's Cove, Queen's county.
- *Rev. William Shelton, rector of St. Paul's Church, Buffalo, Erie county.
- Rev. Isaac Sherwood, missionary at Coldspring Harbor, Queen's county.
- Rev. Reuben Sherwood, rector of St. James' Church, Hyde Park, Dutchess county.
- Rev. Richard C. Shimeall.
- *Rev. Aldert Smedes, jun., rector of St. George's Church, Schenectady.
- Rev. Hugh Smith, rector of St. Peter's Church, New-York.
- Rev. Lucius Smith, missionary at Fredonia, Chautauque county.
- Rev. Orsamus H. Smith, rector of Zion Church, Louisville, Otsego county.
- Rev. Richard Smith, missionary at Elmira, Chemung county.
- Rev. Erastus Spalding, missionary at Sodus, Wayne county, and Vienna, Ontario county.
- Rev. Cyrus Stebbins, D. D., missionary at Waterford, Saratoga county, and Cohoes, Albany county.
- Rev. James O. Stokes, residing near Medina, Orleans county.
- *Rev. Henry L. Storrs, Deacon, minister of St. Philip's Church, Phillipstown, Putnam county.
- Rev. James Sunderland.
- Rev. James M. Tappan, residing at Troy.
- Rev. William Tatham, missionary at Fairfield, Herkimer county.
- Rev. Thomas H. Taylor, rector of Grace Church, New-York.
- *Rev. Lewis Thibou, jun., rector of Trinity Church, Athens, Greene county.
- Rev. William B. Thomas, rector of Christ Church, Duaneburgh, Schenectady county.
- Rev. James Thompson, missionary at Durham, Greene county.
- Rev. Frederick T. Tiffany, rector of Christ Church, Cooperstown, Otsego county.
- Rev. Francis T. Todrig, rector of St. John's Church, Ithaca, Tompkins county.
- Rev. Amos C. Treadway, missionary at Sacket's Harbor, Jefferson county.
- Rev. Francis Tremayne.
- Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D. D., Professor of Biblical Learning, and the Interpretation of Scripture, in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.
- Rev. John V. Van Ingen, missionary at Greene, Chenango county.
- *Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, rector of St. George's Church, Flushing, Queen's county.
- Rev. Antoine Verren, rector of the French Church Du St. Esprit, and Professor of the French Language and Literature in Columbia College, New-York.
- Rev. Gershom P. Waldo, Deacon.
- *Rev. William F. Walker, rector of the Church of the Nativity, New-York.
- *Rev. William H. Walter, rector of St. Paul's Church, Tompkinsville, Richmond county.

List of the Clergy who attended

- Rev. Thomas Warner, Chaplain and Professor of Moral Philosophy in the United States' Military Academy, West Point.
 Rev Nathaniel Watkins, Deacon, minister of Zion Church, Pierrepont Manor, Jefferson county.
 Rev William M. Weber, M. D., residing at Peterborough, Madison county.
 Rev Eli Wheeler, rector of Zion church, Little Neck, Queen's county.
 Rev Russel Wheeler, rector of Christ Church, Lockport, Niagara county.
 *Rev. Ulysses M. Wheeler.
 Rev. Phineas L. Whipple, rector of Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county.
 *Rev Henry J Whitehouse, D. D., rector of St. Luke's Church, Rochester, Monroe county
 *Rev Marshall Whiting, missionary at Jamesville and Pompey, Onondaga county.
 *Rev. William R. Whittingham, Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.
 Rev Eleazar Williams, Deacon, officiating in Franklin county.
 Rev Peter Williams, (a colored man,) rector of St. Philip's Church, New-York, the congregation of which is composed of colored persons.
 *Rev. Lloyd Windsor, Deacon.
 Rev. George E Winslow, M. D.
 Rev. William Withington, Deacon.
 Total, 225.

LIST OF THE CLERGY WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D.

PREBYTERS AND DEACONS.

Rev. William Allanson,
 Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D.,
 Rev. Henry S. Attwater,
 Rev. Deodatus Babcock,
 Rev. Liberty A. Barrows,
 Rev. Lewis P. Bayard,
 Rev. William Berrian, D. D.,
 Rev. Charles W. Bradley,
 Rev. Thomas Breintnall,
 Rev. Thomas S. Brittan,
 Rev. John Brown,
 Rev. John W. Brown,
 Rev. Nathan B. Burgess,
 Rev. Richard Bury,
 Rev. Leverett Bush,
 Rev. Clement C. Butler,
 Rev. James D. Carder,
 Rev. William M. Carmichael,
 Rev. Lawson Carter,
 Rev. Peter S. Chauncey,
 Rev. James P. F. Clarke,
 Rev. James W. Cooke,
 Rev. William Creighton, D. D.,
 Rev. Alexander H. Crosby,
 Rev. Benjamin C. Cutler, D. D.,
 Rev. Edward Davis,
 Rev. Jacob W. Diller,
 Rev. John Dowdney, jun.,
 Rev. Manton Eastburn, D. D.,

Rev. Edmund Embury,
 Rev. Benjamin Evans,
 Rev. Edward K. Fowler,
 Rev. Alexander Frazer,
 Rev. Samuel Fuller,
 Rev. Isaac Garvin,
 Rev. Reuben I. Germain,
 Rev. Kingston Goddard,
 Rev. David Griffith,
 Rev. John Grigg,
 Rev. Charles W. Hackley,
 Rev. Benjamin Hale, D. D.,
 Rev. Robert W. Harris,
 Rev. Abram B. Hart,
 Rev. Frederick W. Hatch,
 Rev. Cicero S. Hawks,
 Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D.,
 Rev. Hiram Jelliff,
 Rev. Daniel V. M. Johnson,
 Rev. Evan M. Johnson,
 Rev. William L. Johnson,
 Rev. Charles Jones,
 Rev. Lot Jones,
 Rev. James Keeler,
 Rev. Ezra B. Kellogg,
 Rev. Charles V. Kelly,
 Rev. Nathaniel P. Knapp,
 Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D.,
 Rev. Moses Marcus,

Rev. John McCarty,
 Rev. Stephen McHugh,
 Rev. John McVickar, D. D.,
 Rev. Edward N. Mead,
 Rev. James Milnor, D. D.,
 Rev. Timothy Minor,
 Rev. David Moore,
 Rev. Thomas Morris,
 Rev. Samuel Nichols,
 Rev. Amos Pardee,
 Rev. Isaac Pardee,
 Rev. Isaac Peck,
 Rev. Hewlett R. Peters,
 Rev. Joseph F. Phillips,
 Rev. William Powell,
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 Rev. Joseph H. Price,
 Rev. Pierre A. Proal,
 Rev. John Reed, D. D.,
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 Rev. Seth S. Rogers,
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 Rev. Robert Shaw,
 Rev. George A. Shelton,

Rev. William Shelton,
 Rev. Isaac Sherwood,
 Rev. Reuben Sherwood,
 Rev. Aldert Smedes, jun.,
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 Rev. Lucius Smith,
 Rev. Orsamus H. Smith,
 Rev. Richard Smith,
 Rev. Henry L. Storrs,
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 Rev. Lewis Thibou, jun.,
 Rev. William B. Thomas,
 Rev. Amos C. Treadway,
 Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D. D.,
 Rev. John V. Van Ingen,
 Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck,
 Rev. Antoine Verren,
 Rev. William F. Walker,
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 Rev. Eli Wheeler,
 Rev. Phineas L. Whipple,
 Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D.,
 Rev. Marshall Whiting,
 Rev. William R. Whittingham.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

Albany county. Albany, St. Peter's Church, Sanford Cobb, Robert A. Sands.
 West Troy, Trinity Church, A. S. Blackman.
Chenango county. Bainbridge, St. Peter's Church, Levi Bigelow.
Greene, Zion Church, Joseph Juliard.
Delaware county. Delhi, St. John's Church, Erastus Root.
 Walton, Christ Church, William Gav.
Dutchess county. Wappinger's Creek, Zion Church, Eleazar D. Sweet.
 Poughkeepsie, Christ Church, William T. Bekden, William A. Davies.
 St. Paul's Church, J. Delafield.
 Red Hook, St. Paul's Church, Edward P. Livingston, Robert Livingston.
Greene county. Catskill, St. Luke's Church, John M. Donelly, Charles C. W.
 Cleaveland, Ira Dubois.
 Greeneville, Christ Church, Reuben Rundle.
King's county. Brooklyn, St. Ann's Church, William Betts, Conklin Brush.
 Fort Hamilton, St. John's Church, Matthew Clarkson, Alfred Beckley.
 Brooklyn, St. John's Church, James Whitehouse, — Odell, Ezekiel Ostrander.
 St. Paul's Free Church, H. Edey.
Monroe county. Rochester, St. Luke's Church, Seth C. Jones, Ebenezer Watts.
New-York city and county. All Saints' Church, James Burgess, John B. Hunter.
 St. Andrew's Church, William Morris.
 St. Bartholomew's Church, John W. Parker, Moses Beadel, Samuel Jones.
 Church of the Ascension, Peter A. Jay, Murray Hoffman, Gerard W. Morris,
 Joseph Petit.
 Christ Church, Elijah Guion.
 St. Clement's Church, Galen Carter, J. I. Stewart, Edgar Evertson, Samuel B.
 Romaine, William S. Popham.
 St. George's Church, Hubert Van Wagenen, Brittain L. Woolley, John Stearna.
 St. James' Church, Edward W. Dunham.
 St. Luke's Church, Henry Ritter, Floyd Smith, J. R. Satterlee.
 St. Mark's Church, Peter G. Stayvesant, George C. Thomas, Wheaton Bradish.
 St. Mary's Church, James De Peyster.
 St. Michael's Church, James F. De Peyster, James Macdonald.

- St. Peter's Church, Clement C. Moore, Reuben Spencer.
 St. Stephen's Church, Foster Nostrand, William N. Chadwick, William N. Seymour.
 St. Thomas' Church, Isaac Lawrence, David Hadden, William H. Jephson, William Neilson.
 L'Eglise du St. Esprit, Gulian C. Verplanck, A. Lacombe.
 Trinity Church, Nehemiah Rogers, Thomas L. Ogden, William Johnson, Benjamin M. Brown.
 Zion Church, Frederick Pentz, J. H. Hobart Haws, Smith Barker.
Niagara county. Lockport, Christ Church, George Field.
Oneida county. Utica, Trinity Church, James Watson Williams, Chester Griswold.
New-Hartford, St. Stephen's Church, Andrew Hull.
Ontario county. Geneva, Trinity Church, Robert C. Nicholas, David S. Hall, David Hudson.
Orange county. Goshen, St. James' Church, George D. Wickham, Thomas Thorn.
 Newburgh, St. George's Church, Alexander Falls, Joseph Hoffman.
 Walden, St. Andrew's Church, Nicholas J. Bogert, Jacob T. Walden.
Orleans county. Medina, St. John's Church, Botsford Fairman.
Oswego county. Constantia, Trinity Church, Nicholas S. Roosevelt.
Queen's county. Flushing, St. George's Church, James Lowere, Peter Ousterman.
 Glen Cove, St. Paul's Church, Edward Coles.
 Hempstead, St. George's Church, George Van Nostrand, Samuel Valentine.
 North Hempstead, Christ Church, Daniel E. Smith, George Hewlet.
 Jamaica, Grace Church, Walter Nichols.
 Little Neck, Zion Church, R. Haviland, Egbert K. Van Beuren.
Rensselaer county. Troy, St. John's Church, Day O. Kellogg, Samuel Buel.
 St. Paul's Church, Stephen Warren.
Richmond county. Richmond, St. Andrew's Church, James Guyon, Stephen Mersereau.
 Tompkinsville, St. Paul's Church, Richard S. Carey, John B. Simonson.
Saratoga county. Waterford, Grace Church, George W. Kirtland.
Schenectady county. Schenectady, St. George's Church, Thomas Palmer, David Hearsey.
Ulster county. Ulster, Trinity Church, Henry Barclay.
Westchester county. Eastchester, St. Paul's Church, Philemon H. Fowler.
 Greenburgh, Zion Church, Joseph A. Constant.
 New-Rochelle, Trinity Church, Isaac U. Coles, Herman Le Roy, jun.
 Mamaroneck, St. Thomas' Church, Monmouth Lyon, Garret Vermilyes, Jonathan Purdy.
 Bedford and North Castle, St. Matthew's Church, Samuel Brown.
 Rye, Christ Church, David Brooks, William Bush.
 North Salem, St. James' Church, Samuel Field, Joshua Purdy.
 Sing Sing, St. Paul's Church, James Smith, David B. Douglas, Samuel C. Nichols, John Strang.
 Whiteplains, Grace Church, Joseph W. Tompkins, Allan Macdonald.
 Yonkers, St. John's Church, Christian Dederer.
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The following gentlemen of the Clergy, entitled to seats, were not present at the Convention:—

Rev. Norman H. Adams,
 Rev. Edward Andrews,
 Rev. George B. Andrews,
 Rev. William Barlow,
 Rev. Alva Bennett,
 Rev. Moore Bingham,
 Rev. James A. Bolles,
 Rev. William W. Bostwick,
 Rev. Johnson A. Brayton,
 Rev. Robert Campbell,

Rev. Lucius Carter,
 Rev. Joseph T. Clark,
 Rev. Orange Clark,
 Rev. Thomas Clark,
 Rev. William A. Clark, D. D.,
 Rev. Joseph H. Coit,
 Rev. Palmer Dyer,
 Rev. John M. Garfield,
 Rev. John D. Gilbert,
 Rev. Burton H. Hickox,

Rev. Origen P. Holcomb,
Rev. John Hughes,
Rev. David Huntington,
Rev. Nathaniel Huse,
Rev. William Jackson,
Rev. Thomas S. Judd,
Rev. Ravaud Kearny,
Rev. William Lucas,
Rev. Charles McCabe,
Rev. Thomas Meachem,
Rev. Kendrick Metcalf,
Rev. William A. Muhlenberg, D. D.,
Rev. Rufus Murray,
Rev. George H. Norton,
Rev. William P. Page,

Rev. Henry Peck,
Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D.,
Rev. Horatio Potter,
Rev. Nathaniel O. Preston,
Rev. Joseph Ranson,
Rev. Thomas C. Reed,
Rev. Erastus Spaulding,
Rev. Cyrus Stebbins, D. D.,
Rev. Thomas H. Taylor,
Rev. James Thompson,
Rev. Frederick T. Tiffany,
Rev. Francis T. Todrig,
Rev. Thomas Warner,
Rev. Russel Wheeler.

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Rev. Samuel Ashton Warner, of New-Jersey.
Rev. John M. Ward, of New-Jersey.
Rev. Robert Davies, of New-Jersey.
Rev. Robert Croes, of Virginia.
Rev. Samuel Haskell, of New-York.
Rev. Roderick H. Ranney, of New-York.
Rev. Herman Hooker, of New-York.
Rev. Bethel Judd, D. D., of Connecticut.
Rev. William Morris, of New-York.
Rev. Henry R. Judah, of New-York.
Rev. Edward Denroche, of the British Diocese of Quebec.
Rev. — Lucock, of St. Croix.
Rev. James B. Howe, of New-Hampshire.
Rev. William D. Cairns, of North Carolina.
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The following gentlemen then presented testimonials of their respective appointments as Lay Delegates, and took their seats, viz. :—

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Albany,	St. Peter's, Albany,	Sanford Cobb.
	Trinity, West Troy,	Robert A. Sands.
Chenango,	St. Peter's, Bainbridge,	A. S. Blackman.
	Zion, Greene,	Levi Bigelow.
Delaware,	St. John's, Delhi,	Joseph Juliand.
	Christ, Walton,	Erastus Root.
Dutchess,	Zion, Wappinger's Creek,	William Gay.
	Christ, Poughkeepsie,	Eleazar D. Sweet.
		William T. Belden.
Greene,	St. Luke's, Catskill,	William A. Davies.
	Christ, Greenville,	John M. Donelly.
		Charles C. W. Cleveland.
King's,	St. Ann's, Brooklyn,	Reuben Rundle.
	St. John's, Fort Hamilton,	William Betts.
		Matthew Clarkson.
		Alfred Beckley.
Monroe,	St. John's, Brooklyn,	James Whitehouse.
		— Odell.
	St. Luke's, Rochester,	Ezekiel Ostrander.
		Seth C. Jones.
		Ebenezer Watts.

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Orleans,	St. John's, Medina,	Bottsford Fairman.
Oswego,	Trinity, Constantia,	Nicholas S. Roosevelt.
Queen's,	St. George's, Flushing,	James Lowere.
		Peter Ousterman.
	St. George's, Hempstead,	George Van Nostrand.
	Grace, Jamaica,	Walter Nichols.
	Christ, North Hempstead,	Daniel E. Smith.
	Zion, Little Neck,	R. Haviland.
		Egbert K. Van Beuren.
Rensselaer,	St. John's, Troy,	Day O. Kellogg.
Richmond,	St. Paul's, Tompkinsville,	Richard S. Carey.
		John B. Simonson.
Saratoga,	Grace, Waterford,	George W. Kirtland.
Schenectady,	St. George's, Schenectady,	Thomas Palmer.
		David Hearsey.
Ulster,	Trinity, Ulster,	Henry Barclay.
Westchester,	St. Paul's, Eastchester,	Philemon H. Fowler.
	Zion, Greenburgh,	Joseph A. Constant.
	Trinity, New-Rochelle,	Isaac U. Coles.
	St. Thomas', Mamaro-	Monmouth Lyon.
	[neck,	Garret Vermilyea.
		Jonathan Purdy.
	St. Matthew's, Bedford	Samuel Brown.
	[and North Castle,	
	Christ, Rye,	David Brooks.
		William Bush.
	St. James', North Salem,	Samuel Field.
	St. Paul's, Sing Sing,	James Smith.
		David B. Douglas.
	Grace, Whiteplains,	Joseph W. Tompkins.
		Allan Macdonald.
	St. John's, Yonkers,	Christian Dederer.

The Convention then proceeded to the appointment of a Secretary: it was moved that a ballot be dispensed with, and that the Secretary be appointed on nomination: this being objected to, and the Canon requiring a *unanimous* vote to dispense with a ballot, the Convention proceeded to elect by ballot. The Rev. Dr. Lyell and the Rev. Mr. Brittan were appointed tellers, and reported that the Rev. Dr. Hawks was elected.

The Secretary then appointed the Rev. Francis H. Cuming his assistant, and the President announced the same to the House.

The Bishop announced that by the 16th Standing Rule of Order, all Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not of the Diocese of New-York, and all Theological Students of the Church, were entitled to be present at the sittings of the Convention, and several gentlemen belonging to these two classes accordingly attended the meetings of the House.

The Bishop then in compliance with the Canon delivered the following

A D D R E S S .

MY BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY,—

I apprehend it to be a useful custom to incorporate into these annual addresses to Conventions, not merely facts which are interesting to the diocese concerned, as such, but those also which relate to it in its connexion with our Church at large. Such emphatically is the leading dispensation of Providence toward that Church, which has characterized the year since last we assembled. You anticipate me, doubtless, when I refer you to the call home which God has given to the late venerated and beloved presiding bishop of our Church. It was a source of great satisfaction to me to see the readiness with which the Clergy and parishes of this Diocese so generally united in becoming expressions of the Church's sense of its heavy loss. My solicitude that this should be so, arose not from the fact that a sister diocese had been bereft of one of the best and ablest of bishops. She had, indeed, a claim for this on our affectionate Christian sympathies, and would, doubtless, in any event, have had them. Nor was it because our presiding bishop had been taken from us. Agreeably to the standing rules whereby that office is held, its incumbent will always be the oldest of our bishops, venerable for long standing in the episcopacy, whose learning and experience may reasonably be expected to be a valued treasure to the Church, and whose counsels a wholesome guide in her proceedings; and therefore his loss will always be to be felt and deplored as common to us all. But in the lesson which our Church has wisely learned, of the danger of an infringement on the scriptural and primitive principle of perfect equality among bishops, there is a careful and proper guarding of the office of presiding bishop from any other prerogatives than those which good order renders necessary in mere precedence in matters intrusted to the deliberation and action of the bishops as a body. Hence the office of presiding bishop has but a very remote, if any connexion with the bishops in their diocesan capacities, or with the Church at large. And therefore, save for the virtues of the man and of the bishop, his loss is hardly invested with any peculiar character. But, brethren, we were called to mourn that such an one as *Bishop White* was taken from among us. He belonged to us all in such a way as probably, since

the death of the last of the apostles, no bishop ever belonged to any considerable portion of the Church of CHRIST. With no other official power and prerogative—save in matters of mere orderly arrangement—than has ever been common to all our bishops, his personal virtues, and uncommon professional talents, added to God's blessing in giving him so sound a constitution, so well-ordered a mind, and so long a life, gained for him an influence and a moral power, of which it is difficult to say, whether the meekness with which they were possessed, the important, invaluable, and enduring results to which they led, or the wide-spread blessings which they have diffused, are most worthy of being noted. Let neither have the preference. Let them all be embalmed in our grateful remembrance in that union in which God was pleased to join them together. They have laid us all under a heavy weight of obligation. The humblest member, in the most retired section of our Church, while enjoying the rich blessings which that Church is peculiarly adapted to impart to her children, and to the community around her, is more indebted to that good man than to any other agent through whom God has brought those blessings to his hand and heart. For they flow from doctrines and worship restored by heaven-gifted reformers to the purity which long had given place to sore, idolatrous, and desolating corruptions; and from the peculiarly happy development of those principles and operations of ecclesiastical order whose foundations were laid by the apostles, and martyrs, and other holy men of God's Church in its earliest and purest days. And these sources of good to the Church, to its members, and to the community at large, were to be preserved among us when political animosity loathed almost every thing bearing the very name of England; when mere love of change craved whatever could be considered *new*; and when undisciplined and unsanctified ingenuity burned with the very fervent desire which it had to try in what varied shapes religion could be placed, and what new measures could be devised for the supposed advancement of its cause. Under these trying circumstances, the important first General Convention of our Church, that of 1789, assembled. Two bishops only composed its upper House. But they were the very two than whom we can hardly conceive that God could have raised up better. There was the venerable Seabury, who was the first, and for nearly three years, the only bishop of our Church, a man who well knew, who ardently loved, and who brought a scholar's learning, an apostle's

zeal, a Christian's piety, and a hero's firmness, to defend whatever was scriptural, primitive, and good, in the principles, institutions, and operations of the Church. And with him was his next brother in our episcopacy, the long loved and honored White. The influence of such men could not but be favorably felt. Something was yielded in prudence; much was gained by enlightened and well-tempered firmness; and nought was sacrificed that principle demanded. Seabury lived but a short time to help to erect the edifice on the foundation which was laid so well. White was spared for yet nearly half a century, to carry on the good work: to help its prospering; to see the subduing influence, so honorable to both parties, of discreet concession; to add what appeared wanting; to remedy unforeseen evils; to consult, as safely might be consulted, the exigencies of the times in which, and the community for whose benefit, the Church existed; in short, to give the impress of his wisdom, forecast, and Christian consistency, to our whole ecclesiastical organization, and to our rapidly-spreading ecclesiastical operations. He was spared until he had thought and done so much for us, and had had us so long efficiently and sincerely in his affections and prayers, that we might, if ever we could, let him go, that the day of his glory might dawn upon him. He has gone; and as far as death brings images to the mind of distress, pain, and bodily agitation, he may be rather said to have been translated than to have died. He was not, for God took him.

In connexion with this heavy loss which our episcopacy has sustained, I would make grateful mention of the accession with which God has blessed it in the person of the Rt. Rev. Samuel A. M'Coskry, D. D., the first Bishop of the new, interesting, and rapidly-increasing Diocese of Michigan; whose well adapted qualifications for usefulness, both in his diocesan sphere, and in his place as a member of the highest council of our Church, we have reason to regard as, by God's blessing, a source of great and lasting benefit to the holiest and best of causes. His consecration took place during the last illness, and a few days before the death of Bishop White, and was only the second of all that have ever taken place in this country, in which he was not the consecrator.

Having thus spoken of judgment and of mercy to our Church at large, I proceed, beloved brethren, to the required detail of my episcopal acts since last we were together.

On the Sunday after the adjournment of the last Convention,

the sixteenth after Trinity, October 4, I consecrated **Emanuel Church**, Little Falls, Herkimer county, and at the same time confirmed 7, and admitted the Rev. George Bridgeman, Deacon, to the Priesthood.

In the evening of the same day, confirmed 25 in Trinity Church, Utica.

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity, October 11, in Trinity Church, in this city, admitted the Rev. Daniel E. Brown, Deacon, superintendent of the mission at Green Bay, and the Rev. Edmund Embury, Deacon, missionary at Turin, Lewis county, to **Priests' Orders**, and Roderick H. Ranney, and John E. Watson to the order of Deacons.

Saturday, November 14, confirmed 7 in St. John's Church, Hilipsburgh, Westchester county.

Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity, November 15, in a school-room at Sing Sing, in the same county, the then usual place of worship of the congregation of St. Paul's Church, confirmed 10; in the afternoon, baptized an infant, and preached in Zion Church, Greenburgh, in the same county; and in the evening preached again in Sing Sing.

Tuesday, 17, laid the corner-stone of Christ Church, Patterson, Putnam county.

Friday, 20, consecrated St. John's Church, Monticello, Sullivan county, and in the afternoon confirmed 9.

Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity, November 22, instituted the Rev. Joseph F. Phillips into the rectorship of St. Luke's Church, Catskill, Greene county, and in the same church, in the afternoon, confirmed 17; and preached there again in the evening. Mr. Phillips had previously resigned the rectorship of Christ Church, Cow Neck, Queen's county; where he is succeeded by the Rev. Moses Marcus.

Tuesday, 24, consecrated St. John's Church, Kingston, Ulster county, confirmed 9 there in the afternoon, and preached there again in the evening.

On Thursday, November 26, I enjoyed much satisfaction in being present and assisting in the solemnities at the consecration, by the Right Reverend the Bishop of New Jersey, of St. Matthew's Church, Jersey city, in that Diocese—a beautiful monument of the long and faithful pastoral labors of my old friend, and the revered preceptor of my youth, the Rev. Dr. Edmund D. Barry.

First Sunday in Advent, November 29, in St. Paul's Free

Church, Brooklyn, admitted Charles Jones to the holy order of Deacons.

From this time my services were, for many weeks, confined to this city and Brooklyn, and were as follows:—

Second Sunday in Advent, December 6, confirmed 24 in Trinity Church, *New-York*.

Fourth Sunday in Advent, December 20, in St. Paul's Chapel, confirmed 34.

Second Sunday after Christmas, January 3, confirmed 26 in St. Ann's Church, *Brooklyn*.

First Sunday after the Epiphany, January 10, confirmed 22 in St. John's Chapel *New-York*.

Septuagesima Sunday, January 31, confirmed 28 in St. Mark's Church.

Quinquagesima Sunday, February 14, confirmed 46 in Christ Church.

From this time, until the month of April, it pleased God to suspend, in a great measure, and for a large portion of the time, altogether, ability to discharge my duties, by the severest fit of illness with which I have ever been visited. I should do injustice, beloved brethren, to my feelings, were not my heart—next to devout gratitude to the kind and good Being who has so mercifully restored me, if possible, to even more than my ordinary health and strength—to be warmed with the most affectionate sensibility to the kind sympathies of friends and brethren which so largely alleviated my sufferings. May God reward them for it, and grant me grace to derive therefrom, as well as from his healing and restoring mercy, new inducements to give myself wholly and cheerfully to the one thing to which I was devoted when he saw fit to call me to the awful responsibilities of the episcopate! I know you too well, dear brethren, and I know too well the good Christian people as whose pastors and representatives you appear on this floor, to doubt that the effectual fervent prayers of which I so much stand in need, will be kindly offered in this behalf.

The immense accumulation of demands upon me during my illness, and the undiminished current of them since returning strength enabled me to give them any heed, will, I trust, be an accepted apology for too much of remaining delay in meeting them.

On the first Sunday after Easter, April 10, I recommenced the public discharge of episcopal duty by confirming 26 in St. Stephen's Church in this city.

Friday, April 15, consecrated Trinity Church, Brooklyn. This is the fourth church of our Communion in that city, which herein has set, and in arrangements for greater increase is still setting, an excellent example to other rapidly-increasing cities and villages in our State.

Third Sunday after Easter, April 24, in St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, admitted Calvin Colton and Nathaniel P. Knapp to the order of Deacons, and the Rev. William W. Niles, Deacon, officiating in a newly-formed congregation of colored persons in this city, to the Priesthood.

Mr. Knapp's services were soon engaged by the vestry of Grace Church, Jamaica, Queen's county, to supply the place of their rector, the Rev. William L. Johnson, absent in Europe on account of ill health. Since the return of Mr. Johnson, Mr. Knapp has continued to officiate as his assistant.

In the afternoon, confirmed 31 in St. John's Church, Brooklyn.

Fourth Sunday after Easter, May 1, instituted the Rev. Hugh Smith into the rectorship of St. Peter's Church in this city; that office having become vacant by the resignation of the Rev. Thomas Pyne who has returned to England; but whether he intends permanently residing there I am not informed. Mr. Smith, on his call to St. Peter's, resigned the charge of the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists in this city, where he is succeeded by the Rev. Alexander Frazer; the Rev. Benjamin Evans, Deacon, whose ordination is hereafter to be mentioned, having been appointed to the station thus vacated by him, of missionary at Patterson, Putnam county, and North Salem, Westchester county.

Tuesday, May 3, in the morning, I laid the corner-stone of Trinity Chapel, Rockaway, erecting by the corporation of St. George's Church, Hempstead; and in the afternoon, that of St. Mary's Church, Hempstead Harbor, both in Queen's county. On my way between the two, baptized a child in the parish of St. George's.

Friday, May 6, consecrated Zion Church, Wappinger's Creek, Dutchess county, and administered the communion, and preached there again in the afternoon.

Fifth Sunday after Easter, May 8, in St. George's Church, in this city, admitted the Rev. John L. Watson, Deacon, Minister of St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, and Trinity Church, Fishkill, Dutchess county, to Priests' Orders; and in the afternoon confirmed 30 in the same church.

Mr. Watson has since removed, with a letter of dismission, to the Diocese of Massachusetts, and is succeeded at Fishkill Landing by the Rev. Kingston Goddard, Deacon, whose ordination is hereafter to be noticed.

On the following morning I set out on a visitation of several weeks; of the services of which, the following is an account:—

Tuesday, May 10, in St. George's Church, Schenectady, confirmed 33.

Wednesday, 11, preached, afternoon and evening, in the Presbyterian church, Amsterdam, Montgomery county, for the parish of St. Ann's Church, in the neighboring village of Port Jackson, where the vestry are now engaged in the erection of a church. This parish is a revival of an ancient one in the same neighborhood, St. Ann's, Fort Hunter, of which the church, erected in the reign of Queen Anne, of England, being in a state of decay, was taken down some years since.

Ascension Day, Thursday, May 12, in St. John's Church, Johnstown, in the same county, confirmed 2 in the morning, and in the afternoon baptized an adult and a child.

Friday, 13, preached in Emanuel Church, Little Falls, Herkimer county.

Saturday, 14, preached in the Methodist chapel, Herkimer, in the same county, for the parish of St. Luke's Church, in the neighboring town of German Flats, which is yet without a church.

Sunday after Ascension, May 15, instituted the Rev. Pierre A. Proal into the office of rector of Trinity Church, Utica, vacated by the resignation of the Rev. Benjamin Dorr, who has removed to this city, and is industriously and usefully engaged as Secretary and General Agent to the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions. Mr. Proal had previously resigned the rectorship of St. George's Church, Schenectady, an office which he had filled for about 15 years in a manner on which, being in Schenectady about the time of his departure, I saw the best comment, in the evidence given of the feelings with which the connexion is dissolved between a faithful pastor, and an affectionate and confiding flock. He is succeeded in Schenectady by the Rev. Aldert Smedes, jun., who has resigned the situation of assistant minister of Christ Church in this city.

In the afternoon of May 15, confirmed 8 in St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county; and in the evening, 20 in Trinity Church, Utica.

On Monday, May 16, after marrying a couple in Trinity Church, Utica, I returned to Herkimer county, where my duties were as follows :—

Tuesday, 17, in Trinity Church, Fairfield, confirmed 11, and preached in the afternoon in a meeting-house belonging to various denominations in Middleville.

Wednesday, 18, baptized 2 adults, and confirmed 8, in a similar edifice, for the parish of Grace Church, Norway.

Thursday, 19, having returned to Oneida county, baptized 2 adults, confirmed 8, and administered the communion, in St. Paul's Church, Holland Patent, and preached there again in the afternoon.

Friday, 20, confirmed 15, and administered the communion, in St. Peter's Church, Oriskany, and preached there again in the evening.

Saturday, 21, confirmed 10, and administered the communion, in Zion Church, Rome.

Whitsunday, May 22, confirmed 31, and administered the communion, in St. Paul's Church, Paris, and preached there again in the afternoon.

Whitsun-Monday, May 23, in the Presbyterian church, Hamilton, Madison county, for the parish of St. Thomas' Church, preached and administered the communion ; in the afternoon confirmed 12, and preached again at a later hour.

Whitsun-Tuesday, May 24, preached twice in St. Stephen's Church, Perryville, in the same county.

Wednesday, 25, commenced a visitation of Onondaga county, by confirming 7 in Christ Church, Manlius, and preaching there again in the evening.

Thursday, 26, confirmed 6, and administered the communion, in Trinity Church, Fayetteville, and preached there again in the evening.

Friday, 27, preached twice in St. Mark's Church, Jamesville, confirmed 5, and administered the communion.

Saturday, 28, instituted the Rev. Francis T. Todrig into the office of rector of St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, and in the afternoon confirmed 9. Mr. Todrig has since resigned this office, and accepted the rectorship of St. John's Church, Ithaca, Tompkins county.

Trinity Sunday, May 29, preached in the morning and evening, in St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, and in the afternoon in the Apostolic Church, Geddes.

Monday, 30, confirmed 1 in Zion Church, Onondaga.

Tuesday, 31, preached in St. John's Church, Marcellus.

Wednesday, June 1, confirmed 6 in St. James' Church, Skaneateles.

Thursday, 2, preached, morning and afternoon, in Christ Church, Pompey, and in the evening in the Methodist chapel, Cazenovia, Madison county.

Friday, 3, entered Chenango county, and commenced my services there by confirming 24 in Christ Church, Sherburne.

Saturday, 4, consecrated Emmanuel Church, Norwich, and administered the communion, and in the afternoon confirmed 14 in that church.

First Sunday after Trinity, June 5, in St. Paul's Church, Oxford, baptized 2 adults, and confirmed 10, and preached there again in the afternoon.

Monday, 6, consecrated Zion Church, Greene; the chancel of which, I think it my duty to observe, comes nearer what a chancel should be, than any which I had previously seen, combining, as it does, the important requisites of sufficient height and sufficient dimensions. If there is any value in the decent and impressive solemnities of our ritual, they ought not to be concealed from the people. And yet in such chancels as are usually provided in our churches, the solemn services of communion, confirmation, and ordination, are almost as effectually removed from their view, as if performed behind an intervening screen.*

In the afternoon, in the same church, baptized an adult and a child, and confirmed 12.

Tuesday, June 7, in the same church, admitted the Rev. John V. Van Ingen, Deacon, the missionary at Greene, to the Priesthood; and in the afternoon preached there again, and, in conjunction with the missionary, catechized the children.

Wednesday, 8, in the Methodist chapel, Coventry, for the parish of Trinity Church, baptized an adult and a child, and confirmed 4; and preached there again in the afternoon.

Thursday, 9, in St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, confirmed 6, and preached there again in the afternoon.

Friday, 10, consecrated Christ Church, Fayetteville, and admin-

* The floor of the chancel should be at the very least two feet higher than that of the church; and it should be so large as to allow a perfectly easy passage between the altar and the rails, and to admit of being occupied by a number of clergy on solemn occasions.

istered the communion, and in the afternoon confirmed 24. These were peculiarly interesting services to me. I first heard of the zealous efforts of a small body of Episcopalians, in this place, about five or six years ago. Through means placed at my disposal by the Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, I was enabled to send them a small collection of books illustrative of the distinctive principles of the Church. These, with the occasional services of neighboring missionaries, were the means, by God's blessing, of keeping the little flock together, and gradually adding to their number, until they could be favored with more frequent clerical ministrations; and the result of the whole has been the erection and consecration of their beautiful church, and an increasing and well-ordered parish, characterized by enlightened attachment to the Church, and blessed, in a good degree, with the renewing and sanctifying influences of the grace of God. It is one of many most encouraging instances which our Diocese affords of the lasting benefits attendant on the distribution of good books, and the encouragement of missionary labors.

Festival of St. Barnabas the Apostle, Saturday, June 11, consecrated Immanuel Church, Otsego county, and confirmed 2; and in the evening confirmed 8 in St. Andrew's Church, New-Berlin, Chenango county.

Second Sunday after Trinity, June 12, in Exeter, Otsego county, in the morning, preached in the Presbyterian church; and in the afternoon, in the Methodist church, baptized 2 adults, and confirmed 5, for the parish of St. John's Church.

Monday, 13, preached, morning and afternoon, in St. Luke's Church, Monticello, in the same county.

Wednesday, 15, in St. John's Church, Delhi, Delaware county, admitted the Rev. Thomas S. Judd, Deacon, who had been canonically transferred from the Diocese of Connecticut, and become the minister of the parish, to the Priesthood; and in the afternoon confirmed 20.

Friday, 17, in Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, Albany county, admitted the Rev. William Morris, Deacon, the assistant minister of that church, and of St. Paul's, Oakhill, Greene county, to Priests' Orders; and in the afternoon baptized an adult, and confirmed 8. Mr. Morris has since resigned those stations.

On Saturday, 18, while on my journey homeward, I baptized a child in the parish of St. Luke's Church, Catskill, Greene county.

Third Sunday after Trinity, June 19, in St. Thomas' Church, in

this city, admitted Pierre P. Irving to Deacons' Orders. Mr. Irving's services were immediately retained by the vestry of St. Thomas's as a temporary supply, rendered necessary by the absence of the rector, the Rev. Dr. Hawks, who had gone to England, under the authority of the General Convention, for the purpose of procuring copies of documents throwing light on the early history of our Church; and whose recent return, after a very faithful and successful prosecution of the object of his agency, it gives me much pleasure to be able to record.

From the 22d of June, until the 1st of July, inclusive, I was occupied in various meetings of the Board of Missions, the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, and the Directors of the General Sunday School Union.

It must be highly gratifying to the friends of the Church to know that thus far our general missionary operations, in every department, have more than realized the most sanguine expectations even of those who looked forward with the greatest confidence to the favorable results of the deeply interesting measures with regard to them which were so prominent a characteristic feature of the last General Convention. All is working so well, that I believe it to be generally conceded, that the duty of the Church consists in helping on the present system as it stands, increasing its means, strengthening its influence, and enlarging its operations. Many of its leading features, and especially, in important instances, the broad foundations which it laid, and the liberal appropriations which have characterized it, were thought by some judicious and excellent friends of the Church to be a rather bold and hazardous experiment; but I am happy to be able to cherish the confidence, that results will be exhibited to the next General Convention more than enough to satisfy the Church that all the expenses of the system have been well incurred, and have returned an abundant increase.

I have been much gratified at the very creditable reception which has been given in this Diocese to the Agents of the Board of Missions, and of our General Sunday School Union, and the liberal responses that have been made to their appeals in behalf of their respective departments of the great operations of the Church. This sentiment is expressed without reserve, notwithstanding one unfortunate fact, which might interpose a serious qualification of the pleasure thus expressed, were it not for the confidence I feel that that fact requires but to be known to the

Diocese in order to its being promptly met, and effectually removed.

It has long been an argument, conclusive to many minds in favor of foreign and other extensive missionary and connected operations of the Church, that those having a bearing more immediately at home, so far from being thus impeded, are thereby aided and facilitated. I am sorry to say that this has not been the case with us. Our diocesan operations have had by no means a fair share of the increase of zeal, devotion, and liberality, which have, within the last year, characterized those of a more extensive range. Perhaps this was natural. A glow of holy feeling was excited by the last General Convention in behalf of those more extended operations, which might reasonably be expected to have almost monopolized, in its fresh ardor, in favor of its particular channels, the sensibilities and exertions of the Church. There is, however, doubtless, in that Church, a store of sound discrimination, and of that knowledge which should always direct and control the Christian's zeal, which will bring the streams of Christian action into their proper channels, and give to each its due degree of force and influence. Our diocesan operations, in every department—Missionary labors—Bible, Prayer-book, and Tract Distribution—and Education for the Ministry—all greatly need to be strengthened and enlarged. It will be but equivocal gain to the cause of CHRIST to push our operations in its behalf beyond our borders, while within them infidelity, heresy, and schism, confusion, disorder, and fanaticism, vice, immorality, and worldliness, are left to do their unholy and destructive work. And, brethren, it is no small accession to our means of meeting these enemies which will answer the present emergency. If, as we may and should, we would serve the interests of society and the commonwealth, advance the prosperity of CHRIST's holy Church, and promote the honor of its divine Head, at least ten thousand dollars per annum should be divided among the several institutions of our Diocese for promoting the good works above mentioned, in addition to what has been customarily done.* And

* This may be thought by some an unnecessarily large addition to the ordinary contributions of our members for religious purposes. A little consideration, however, will make it appear otherwise:

Our *missionary operations* are not sustained even on their present limited scale; and they ought to be greatly enlarged. The little stipend of \$125, which is all that is now given to each missionary, should certainly be increased, as well as the

what is that among so many? Less than an average of \$50 per annum for each congregation—less than an average of one dollar per annum for each communicant. And when I contemplate the immense share of the wealth of this State which is possessed by

number of missionaries. It may literally be said that there is a *great call* for the services of our Church in all parts of the State. There are large districts in which there are no places of worship of any description; and even the religious meetings, so called, which are held in school-houses, are often at a great distance from large numbers of families, and too often, alas! of a description hardly calculated to produce either spiritual or moral benefit. The wildness and disorder which prevail in many sects around us, and the heresy and infidelity to which their procedures are giving rise, are alarming many of their more judicious and seriously-minded members, and giving them bitter experience of the necessity of some other religious system of principles and practice; and this, in almost all instances in which the Church is brought to their notice, they find there, to their great spiritual comfort and edification, and to the substantial interests of religion and morality in the community.

There are in the State three counties in which we have no church; seven, in which we have but one each; fifteen, but two; and five, but three; consequently there are thirty counties in neither of which are there more than three churches of our communion; and I have little hesitation in believing that a proper system of missionary operations would give us a church in almost, if not quite, every town in the State. Let me not be supposed to favor any system of proselytism, or unchristian attacks or encroachments on other denominations; or any trimming down of the principles, prescriptions, or usages of the Church, to meet the prejudices, or gratify the humors of others. Far from it. These would be unworthy of the sanctity and dignity of the Church. The desire to enlarge her borders ought not to be a sectarian feeling. It should not be excited by a wish merely to increase her numbers, but to benefit others. We would receive them for their good, not seek them for our aggrandizement. And long, uniform, and daily strengthening experience teaches, that if we would truly promote that good, we must receive them into the Church as it is, not adapt the Church to feelings, views, and opinions, formed without its borders. The distinctive principles of the Church should be laid open in all their fulness, and with an unreserved recognition of all their legitimate consequences. The various particulars of her good order, whether enforced by the authority of law, or sanctioned by venerable usage, should be maintained in their integrity; for never were the wholesome principles, and the restraining and controlling influence of good order more needed in the Christian community.

Missionary operations thus conducted, cannot fail largely to extend the blessed influences of the principles, institutions, and services of the Church. As then we would, through the Church, CHRIST's chosen instrument for all moral and spiritual good, benefit the community, we should greatly enlarge the sphere of such operations. There are all over the State members of our Church, who, having emigrated from other portions of the Union, and too few and feeble to sustain among themselves the valued ministrations of the Church, ask our aid. There is a mass of highly respectable population unsettled in religious principles, and ready to inquire into the merits of any system which may be brought to their notice. There are large

Episcopalians, and when I consider farther the immense accessions which are daily making to that wealth, I am unwilling to let go the confidence that their Church and their Church's divine Head will not be driven from their minds and hearts by the successful

numbers, ranking themselves under other religious names, who are dissatisfied and unhappy, and long for a refuge where they may find something more accordant with their ideas of the stability of Christian doctrine, the harmony of Christian feeling, and the good order of Christian operations. These three classes—to say nothing of the loud call of irreligion, vice, and immorality, on the pious efforts of all who love the Gospel—furnish materials, from which, with a little preliminary missionary aid, flourishing and efficient parishes might be formed in a short time, in multitudes of places where the offices of the Liturgy are as yet unknown to the great mass of the people. Our missionary operations, on the present plan, and with only the present too limited stipend, might be increased, with great benefit to the Church, and thus to the cause of the Gospel, and the interests of the community; and should be increased, if we would do our duty to the Church and the commonwealth, to the amount of at least \$1,500 per annum, in addition to the required support of the present establishment. It would also render an invaluable service for us to add to the present system of missionary operations, one to a certain extent itinerating. A missionary should be sent to a district of country, comprising several villages or towns, in which there is no Episcopal congregation, to present the Church therein in her services, institutions, and instructions. A little while would probably indicate some village or other vicinity where sufficient encouragement would be held out for special local efforts for the building up of a church. Here let the missionary labor to this end. There can be little doubt that judicious efforts on his part would, by God's blessing, result, in no long period of time, in the organizing of a parish, and the building of a church. To give true efficiency to this system of operations, there should be no immediate call on the people for pecuniary support. The missionary should commence with a salary of not less than \$400; to be gradually diminished until it reaches the ordinary amount of stipend; and that, like all the others, to be discontinued whenever the parish ought to take care of itself. To secure the good effects of this system, which I have great reason to believe would prove of very extensive benefit, our means of missionary operations must obviously be largely increased.

In the *education department* we need a great accession of aid. Multitudes of young men, possessed of every natural, moral, and spiritual qualification, are kept from their studies, or compelled to pursue them very partially, and under great embarrassments and disadvantages, for want of comfortable support; and that at a time when every interest dear to the Christian, the Churchman, and the patriot, calls for the ministerial services, in all parts of our country, of well learned men, and those whose minds are brought under the wholesome influence of long, patient, and uninterrupted study. I know of no event which would probably tend more to elevate the character, strengthen the influence, and increase the usefulness of the Church, than to provide the means for carrying all our candidates for the ministry through a full course of literary and theological preparation, and then withdraw all power of canonically dispensing with it. That there exist in the Church ample means to this end, no one properly acquainted with the subject will deny. Is there *not also the requisite degree of pious and enlightened attachment to its best interests?*

exercise of that "power to get wealth" which is not their own, but is the gift of God.* I am unwilling to suppose for a moment that the friends of those extensive missionary operations in which our Church is now so happily united, will allow them to rest under the unfortunate objection that they curtail the needed care of our own more immediate household of faith.

It gave me the highest gratification to be able to announce, at the meeting of the Board of Missions, the very liberal donation, by a highly respectable member of our Church in this city, who wished his name witholden, of \$15,000 to missionary operations in our country—10,000 without, and 5,000 within, the borders of this State. The latter was a great relief to the heavily-indebted treasury of our Education and Missionary Society—a treasury on which the drafts of our faithful and laborious missionaries must have been fruitless, but for the great and munificent kindness of the treasurer—a favor for which the shame of the Diocese should be the greater, for the undeserved readiness with which it has been extended.†

Although our *Bible*, *Prayer-book*, and *Tract distribution* is, to the full extent, as large as the means appropriated to it will allow, there is still a great deficiency in this respect, and a deficiency which is attended with the daily loss of opportunities of doing much good. The *Prayer-book* works wonders in breaking down opposition to the Church, drawing attention to its doctrines and services, and preparing the way for missionary and parochial operations, and thus for building up large and efficient parishes. An increase, to the annual amount of many hundred dollars, of the means of distributing that book is loudly called for, and would produce the most invaluable results.

The only stated provision heretofore made for the gratuitous distribution of books illustrative of the principles of the Church, and favorable to the dissemination of Christian knowledge and piety, is the annual appropriation of two hundred and fifty dollars by the Society for Promoting Religion and Learning. But this does not one tithe of the good which should be done in this line. The counteraction of evils resulting from the extensive circulation of works hostile to religion, or giving false views of it; the laying, in poorer parishes, of the foundation of useful parish and Sunday school libraries; and the furnishing of such students and clergy—and they are many—as have no or very limited means of their own, with a few good volumes of standard divinity—are departments of operation in this line of obvious great good to the Church. To do any thing like justice to them, however, the means of such operation ought to be increased two and even fourfold.

* Deuteronomy viii. 18.

† The above remarks were made under the impression that the capital of \$5000 was, at once, available. This, I now understand, is not so—the *interest* only being at our disposal. The debt to the Treasurer, therefore—about \$3000—cannot be liquidated from this source. It remains as a reproach upon the Diocese; and must

With respect to the General Theological Seminary—the examination and commencement of which, in June and July, strengthened the already strong confidence of the Church in it as the very best nursery it can have for a talented, faithful, and useful ministry—I will now only remark, that the plan adopted by this Convention, a few years since, of dividing the Diocese into districts, with an annually appointed agent for each, to solicit funds, was found fraught with so many difficulties, especially in reference to getting suitable clergymen to leave their parishes and become agents, that its farther prosecution has been necessarily abandoned. Still that great institution needs liberal contributions in aid of its momentous objects. The endowment of two more professorships, and the enlargement of the library and buildings, are loudly called for; and every interest that should be sacred to the patriot, the Churchman, and the Christian, commends it to liberal patronage. The endowment of a professorship of Ecclesiastical History, by a distinguished member of the Church in this city, and the appointment thereto of an alumnus of the institution, the Rev. William R. Whittingham, a presbyter of this Diocese, are among the highly favorable events of the past year, which should warm our gratitude for the good providence which God, in his mercy, has so signally extended toward that school of the prophets.

On the festival of the nativity of St. John the Baptist, Friday, June 24, I laid the corner-stone of St. Peter's Church, Brooklyn; a building erecting by a newly-incorporated parish of colored persons in that city.

Fourth Sunday after Trinity, June 26, in the chapel of the Church of the Nativity in this city,* I admitted the Rev. William

necessarily prevent any accession of missionary stations. I know that this will produce bitter disappointment in quarters to which I would it were in my power to announce more welcome tidings. But the necessity is dire, and must be submitted to. Surely I am justifiable in laying it upon the Diocese, as an honorable obligation, and a solemn Christian duty, to remove the necessity at once; and to suspend all operations beyond its borders, until this act of common justice is done.

I cannot dismiss this subject without censuring notices which I see in some of the clerical reports handed to me, that the canonical collections have been omitted *owing to peculiar circumstances*, or because of expense in building or repairing a church or parsonage; and this from some of the very parishes which are nurtured by the missionary fund. The canons do not say how much shall be raised; but justly make it an evidence of sincere and honest attachment to the Church, that *something* be done, in fair proportion to the means which Providence affords; and *something* all may do.

* This building has since been destroyed by fire, but it *was* insured, and thus

F. Walker, Deacon, the minister of the church, to the Priesthood; and in the afternoon, preached at St. Michael's Church, in the outer ward of this city. A very heavy storm prevented the attendance of a large portion of the congregation, and the administering of confirmation.

At a later hour of the same afternoon I assisted the Rector of St. Michael's, who is also chaplain to the Asylum for the Insane in that neighborhood, in his duties in that capacity, by preaching to the unfortunate inmates of that institution; and was then, as on former similar occasions, much struck with the blessed influence of divine service, as a part of the moral treatment of the insane which the fuller and more genuine operation of the benign spirit of the gospel has substituted for the severities and cruelties to which they were once exposed.

On the Festival of St. Peter the Apostle, Wednesday, June 29, in presence of several of my right reverend brethren, and a large number of clergymen and laymen from different parts of the Union, assembled on occasion of the meeting of the Trustees of the General Seminary, I laid the corner-stone of St. Peter's Church in this city.

It is now four years since I reported to the Convention a similar service, and also the consecration of a chapel, in this parish. As then stated by me, the chapel was intended to meet the present emergency, with reference to the existing means of the parish, as its ordinary place of worship, to be superseded, in due time, by a larger and more commodious parish church. By the blessing of divine Providence, that church is now in a course of erection. The chapel, however, it is designed to retain for week-day services, and Sunday school and other catechetical instruction. And I again beg leave to record my entire approbation of an arrangement which secures for divine service, on occasions when the limited attendance may seem to justify a saving of the expense of warming or lighting a large building, and for that instruction in the Catechism which the rubric requires should be conducted "*openly in the church*," a building appropriated and devoted, by consecration, to the honor and service of God.

On the fifth Sunday after Trinity, July 3, I had the great satisfaction—a satisfaction greatly increased by the presence of my
the parish saved from a good share of the loss which would otherwise have been sustained. This fact entitles them to aid in rebuilding—which can hardly be the case where the precaution of insurance is not taken.

right reverend brother the Bishop of South Carolina, who did me the favor to preach the sermon—of admitting, in Grace Church, in this city, to the order of Deacons, fourteen of the twenty-eight young gentlemen who, on the preceding Friday, received the honors of the General Theological Seminary, and thus became its alumni. They were, Lloyd Windsor, A. B., Henry L. Storrs, A. B., Henry H. Prout, Frederick F. Peake, James D. Nicholson, Kingston Goddard, A. B., Reuben I. Germain, John F. Fish, Richard Cox, A. B., William C. Cooley, Clement M. Butler, A. B., John W. Brown, A. M., and Pierre T. Babbit, A. B., of this Diocese; and at the request, and in the behalf of the Bishop of Massachusetts, Frederick J. Goodwin, A. M., of that Diocese.

Of the above named Deacons of this Diocese, Messrs. Windsor, Prout, Peake, Fish, Cox, Cooley, Brown, and Babbit, have engaged, or are about engaging, in the service of the Board of Missions; Mr. Storrs is the minister of St. Philip's Church, Phillips-town, Putnam county; and Mr. Goddard, of St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, Dutchess county. Mr. Germain is the assistant minister of All Saints' Church, in this city; and Mr. Butler is officiating as assistant to the rector of St. Peter's Church, Albany.

In the afternoon of July 3, I confirmed 8 persons in St. John's Church, Fort Hamilton, King's county.

Wednesday, July 6, consecrated St. Paul's Church, Sing Sing, Westchester county, and in the afternoon, confirmed 17 in the same church.

Thursday, 7, in the same church, instituted the Rev. Edward N. Mead into the office of rector of the parish.

Sixth Sunday after Trinity, July 10, in St. Mark's Church in this city, admitted Joseph Ransom to Deacons' Orders, and the Rev. Charles W. Hackley, Deacon, Professor of Mathematics in the university of the city of New-York, to the Priesthood. Mr. Ransom is the minister of St. John's Church, Johnstown, Montgomery county, the rectorship of which had been vacated by the resignation of the Rev. Ulysses M. Wheeler.

In the afternoon of the same day, confirmed 4 in Trinity Chapel, Factoryville, Staten Island.

Wednesday, July 13, laid the corner-stone of St. Paul's Church, Flatbush, King's county.

On the 16th of the same month, I left this city on a tour of visitation from which I returned yesterday, with sentiments of

devout gratitude to ALMIGHTY GOD for having preserved me in excellent health, and free from accident, during a journey of more than 1900 miles. The details of this visitation are as follows :—

On the day on which I commenced it, Saturday, July 16, I confirmed 7 members of the Rev. Dr. Muhlenberg's Institute at Flushing, Queen's county, in the chapel of that seminary.

The next day, the seventh Sunday after Trinity, July 17, I commenced episcopal duty in Westchester county, by confirming 17 in St. Peter's Church, Westchester, in the morning, and 5 in St. Paul's Church, Eastchester, in the afternoon; and I continued the visitation of that county as follows :—

Monday, July 18, confirmed 12 in Trinity Church, New-Rochelle, and administered the communion.

Tuesday, 19, in the morning, confirmed 2 in St. Thomas' Church, Mamaroneck; and in the afternoon 6 in Christ Church, Rye.

Wednesday, 20, in Grace Church, Whiteplains, confirmed 6, and administered the communion; in the afternoon was present at the catechetical examination and instruction of the children by the Rector; and in the evening preached again.

Friday, 22, in St. James' Church, North Salem, admitted Benjamin Evans to Deacons' Orders, and in the afternoon baptized an adult, and confirmed 2, and subsequently visited a sick member of the parish. Mr. Evans is now officiating in the missionary station at Patterson, Putnam county, and North Salem.

Eighth Sunday after Trinity, July 24, in Trinity Church, Ulster, Ulster county, admitted the Rev. Cicero S. Hawks, Deacon, the minister of the church, to Priests' Orders, and in the afternoon confirmed 3.

In the evening of the same day, confirmed 3 in St. John's Church, Kingston, in the same county.

On Tuesday, July 26, confirmed 20 in Christ Church, Ballston Spa, Saratoga county.

Wednesday, 27, confirmed 6 in the temporary chapel occupied by the parish of Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs, in the same county. It was a great satisfaction to me to be favored here with the company of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Quebec, then at the Springs for the benefit of his health.

Thursday, 28, I commenced a visitation of the churches in Washington county, with the parish of Zion Church, Sandy Hill. There being here no church, divine service was held in the court-house, where I baptized an adult and two children, and confirmed 4.

Saturday, 30, in Trinity Church, Granville, confirmed 11 in the morning, and preached again in the afternoon.

Ninth Sunday after Trinity, July 31, confirmed 8, and administered the communion, in Christ Church, Hampton, and preached there again in the afternoon.

In the evening, preached in the Academy at Whitehall, for the parish of St. Paul's Church ; and in the same place, on the following day, Monday, August 1, confirmed 10, and administered the communion ; and again, in the afternoon, for the same parish, in the Presbyterian church, confirmed 4. I also confirmed a sick person, in her room, in the presence of the rector and other members of the parish.

Wednesday, August 3, in Trinity Church, Plattsburgh, Clinton county, confirmed 9, and administered the communion.

Thursday, 4, preached in the Baptist church, Chateaugay, Franklin county.

Friday, 5, for the parish of St. Mark's Church, Malone, in the same county, baptized an infant, administered the communion, and confirmed 10, in the court-house.

Tenth Sunday after Trinity, August 7, consecrated Trinity Church, Potsdam, St. Lawrence county, baptized an adult, and administered the communion, and in the afternoon confirmed 10 in the same church.

Thence I proceeded to other places in St. Lawrence county, as follows :—

Monday, 8, in the Presbyterian church, Canton, baptized an adult, and confirmed 6. A church has since been organized here.

Tuesday, 9, preached in St. Paul's Church, Waddington.

Wednesday, 10, in St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, instituted the Rev. William Barlow, who had removed, by letter of dismission, from Connecticut, into the office of rector of the parish, vacated by the resignation of the Rev. Francis Tremayne ; and in the afternoon confirmed 24 in the same church.

Thursday, 11, in Christ Church, Morristown, admitted the Rev. David Griffith, Deacon, the minister of the parish, to Priests' Orders, and in the afternoon confirmed 11.

Saturday, 13, confirmed 6 in St. Paul's Church, Brownville, Jefferson county ; and thence extended my visit through that county as follows :—

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity, August 14, in Trinity Church, Watertown, preached in the morning ; in the afternoon confirmed

24, and at the request of the rector addressed the Sunday school; and in the evening preached again.

Monday, 15, in Christ Church, Sacket's Harbor, confirmed 10, and preached again in the afternoon.

Few days have been to me so fraught with pure and holy satisfaction as was Tuesday, August 16, in the opportunity which it afforded me of consummating one of the best of those liberal things which the liberal can devise. A devout member of our Church at Pierrepont Manor,*—feeling as a Christian, a citizen, and a friend to social welfare, the indispensable necessity of the public services, ordinances, and instructions of religion, in order to man's well-being, and well-doing, in every social and individual department; and seeing that the very need of their influences presents often the most effectual hinderance to the supply of them—duly estimating the comparative value of the various appropriations to which wealth may be devoted, and desirous of making some outward expression of his gratitude to the Bestower of all good, determined to build a house for the LORD, to prepare an habitation for him when he comes to dwell among his people in that sanctifying and saving presence with them with which he has promised to bless the services, ordinances, and instructions of his Church. The Inspirer of the good design helped it on to a completion which exhibits one of the neatest and most commodious churches in the Diocese. That building, Zion Church, Pierrepont Manor, thus the result of private devotion and liberality, was then consecrated to the holy purposes designed by its erection. Having been finished and used some time before, it had been the means of assembling a congregation of worshippers who had been duly organized according to law; and to the corporation thus formed, the church, and the ground on which it stands, were given by the generous owner previously to its consecration. The administration of the holy communion accompanied the consecration; and in the afternoon I confirmed 2 in the same church, and preached there again in the evening, and a fourth time on the morning of the following day; on which last occasion, a principal portion of the church was allotted to a large and interesting group of Sunday scholars, whom I addressed.

On Friday, August 19, I consecrated St. Paul's Chapel in the village of Constableville, town of Turin, and county of Lewis,

* William C. Pierrepont, Esq.

erected by the corporation of St. Paul's Church, Turin, for the accommodation of a portion of the parish who reside at an inconvenient distance from the parish church; and in the afternoon confirmed 4 in the same chapel.

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, August 21, confirmed 40 in Christ Church, Oswego, Oswego county, and preached there again in the afternoon and evening.

Monday, 22, in the morning, for the parish of Zion Church, Fulton, in the same county, confirmed 7 in the Methodist chapel; and in the afternoon, for the parish of Grace Church, Baldwinsville, Onondaga county, preached in a church erected by the inhabitants without distinction of denomination.

Tuesday, 23, preached in St. James' Church, Skaneateles, in the same county.

Festival of St. Bartholomew the Apostle, Wednesday, August 24, baptized an adult, and confirmed 6 in St. Matthew's Church, Moravia, Cayuga county, and preached there again in the afternoon.

Thursday, 25, in Calvary Church, Homer, Cortland county, admitted the Rev. Charles Jones, Deacon, the minister of the parish, to the Priesthood, and in the afternoon confirmed 6, and subsequently a sick person in her chamber.

Friday, 26, for the parish of Zion Church, McLean, Tompkins county, baptized an infant, and confirmed 5 persons in the Methodist chapel; and in the evening preached in St. John's Church, Ithaca, in the same county.

Saturday, 27, consecrated St. Paul's Church, Aurora, Cayuga county, and preached in the evening in Trinity Church, Seneca Falls, Seneca county.

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity, August 28, in St. Paul's Church, Waterloo, Seneca county, confirmed 18, and preached there again in the afternoon, and again in the evening, in Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario county.

Monday, 29, confirmed 5 in St. John's Church, Canandaigua, Ontario county.

Tuesday, 30, confirmed 9 in St. Paul's Church, Allen's Hill, in the same county.

Wednesday, 31, in a temporary Methodist chapel, for the parish of Trinity Church, Penfield, Monroe county, confirmed 1.

Thursday, September 1, instituted the Rev. Orange Clark into the office of rector of Grace Church, Rochester, he having resigned

that of Christ Church, Lockport, Niagara county, where he is succeeded by the Rev. Russel Wheeler, long the faithful, beloved and useful rector of Zion Church, Louisville, Otsego county, an office now filled by the Rev. Orsamus H. Smith, who has resigned the charge of St. Luke's Church, Monticello, in the same county.

The institution of a clergyman of favorably tested qualifications and usefulness into the rectorship of Grace Church, was an event of peculiar interest. The parish had had to contend with many most serious difficulties. There is now, however, a fair prospect of its becoming one of the largest and most prosperous in the Diocese.

In the afternoon of the same day, confirmed 74 in St. Luke's Church, in the same city.

Friday, September 2, commenced visiting Livingston county, by confirming 10 in Zion Church, Avon.

Saturday, 3, baptized an adult, and confirmed 4 in St. Michael's Church, Geneseo.

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 4, in the Methodist chapel, Mount Morris, for the parish of St. John's Church, confirmed 29, and preached again in the afternoon.

Monday, 5, in the Lutheran church, Dansville, for the parish of St. Peter's Church, baptized an adult, and confirmed 3.

Tuesday, 6, in the unfinished Church of St. Clement, Wethersfield, Genesee county, preached and administered the communion, and in the afternoon confirmed 6. The corner-stone of the church was laid but about six weeks before. By zealous industry, however, the brick walls had been raised, and the rafters for the roof placed upon them. The day proving very favorable, it was determined to prepare accommodations for worship on a temporary floor, that the congregation might have the satisfaction of meeting within their own walls. The satisfaction was obviously sincerely felt; and we were all willing to hope that the bright beams of the sun, as they shone through the unglazed windows, and uncovered roof, were symbols of the brighter and better emanations of the Sun of Righteousness, to shine through the holy services, ordinances, and instructions to which the edifice, when completed, is to be solemnly set apart.

Wednesday, September 7, for the parish of St. Paul's Church, Auroraville, Erie county, in the Methodist chapel, baptized 2 adults and confirmed 4; and in the evening baptized a child in the same parish.

Thursday, 8, in St. John's Church, Sheldon, Genesee county; admitted the Rev. Isaac Garvin, Deacon, Missionary at Wethersfield, Auroraville, and Sheldon, to the Priesthood, and in the afternoon confirmed 1.

Friday, 9, in St. Mark's Church, Le Roy, in the same county, confirmed 28.

Saturday, 10, preached in the same church.

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 11, consecrated St. James' Church, Batavia, also in Genesee county, a beautiful stone edifice erected as a substitute for a former one which the increase of the parish had rendered inconveniently small. The communion was also administered by me at the same time. In the afternoon, confirmed 4 in the same church, and preached there again in the evening.

Tuesday, 13, consecrated St. John's Church, Medina, Orleans county, and administered the communion; and in the afternoon baptized 2 adults and 3 children, and confirmed 11.

This is probably one of the chastest and best proportioned Gothic churches in the Diocese. I spoke before of the chancel of the church at Greene as a good model for our churches. This at Medina is, in some respects, its superior. It consists of a platform running nearly across the church, and raised above the level of its aisles three or four steps. The communion table is against the centre of the wall in the rear of the platform; and in front of the platform, on the extremity at the right of the altar, is the reading-desk, and on that at the left, the pulpit; the three standing on the same level, and the desk and pulpit being exactly alike. The effect of this is the very proper one of presenting the altar as the chief place in the church, and the desk and pulpit as subsidiary to it—a plan every way preferable to the so common one of making the altar a mere appendage to the desk.

Another peculiarity in the construction of the church in Medina, in which, I believe, it and that at Geddes stand alone in our Diocese, is the surmounting of its spire with a cross. The conceding of the epithet *catholic* to the Church of Rome, as in any peculiar way appropriate to it, and regarding the sign of the cross as symbolizing its distinctive principles, I cannot but consider as serious errors, inconsistent with sound Protestantism. It is generally granted by Christians, in accordance with the teachings of nature, and the sanction of Holy Writ, that it is meet and right to have, in the construction of churches, a due regard to becom-

ing ornament. Emblematic representations are frequently introduced into them. Why should one so full of deeply interesting meaning, and the very name of which is made in holy Writ to represent the essence of the Christian's faith, and all that is well founded, holy, and true in the Christian's hopes, be discarded? Why should it be given over to degrading association with heresy, corruption, and idolatry? Let it not be. Let the cross stand on every temple devoted to the true Christian worship of **THE CRUCIFIED**, as indicative of this its sacred purpose, and as symbolizing the holy faith in which that worship is conducted.

Wednesday, September 14, in the Presbyterian church in the upper village of Lockport, Niagara county, for the parish of Grace Church, confirmed 4, and preached there again in the afternoon, and again at a later hour, in Christ Church, in the lower village.

Thursday, 15, consecrated St. Paul's Church, Lewiston, in the same county, and admitted Gershom P. Waldo to Deacons' Orders; and in the afternoon confirmed 12 in the same church.

Friday, 16, confirmed 37 in St. Paul's Church, Buffalo.

Saturday, 17, commenced a visitation of Chautauque county, by consecrating Trinity Church, Fredonia, and in the afternoon confirmed 7 therein; and thence proceeded in the same county, as follows:—

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 18, in St. Paul's Church, Mayville, confirmed 9, and administered the communion, and preached again in the afternoon. Understanding that there was in this parish an unfortunate paralytic, deprived almost totally of the power of both speech and motion, but in possession of his mental faculties, and piously desirous of receiving confirmation, I administered it to him, in his chamber, in presence of a presbyter and several members of the Church.

Monday, 19, for the parish of St. Luke's Church, Jamestown, preached, afternoon and evening, in the Congregational church in that village.

Festival of St. Matthew the Apostle, Wednesday, September 21, in the court-house in Ellicottville, Cattaraugus county, for the parish of St. John's Church, admitted the Rev. Thomas Morris, Deacon, to Priests' Orders; and in the afternoon baptized 3 children, and confirmed 4 persons.

Thursday, 22, in the school-house at Olean, in the same county, for the parish of St. Stephen's Church, confirmed 2. In each of these two villages, a church is in the course of erection.

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity, September 25, consecrated St. Thomas' Church, Bath, Steuben county; in the afternoon baptized 2 children, and confirmed 9 persons; and in the evening preached in St. Mark's Church, Hammond's Port, in the same county.

Monday, 26, in the Methodist chapel, Penn Yan, Yates county, for the parish of St. Mark's Church, baptized an adult, and confirmed 5.

Tuesday, 27, consecrated St. James' Church, Jefferson, Chemung county, and in the afternoon confirmed 2 in the same church.

Wednesday, 28, consecrated Trinity Church, Hector, Tompkins county, and administered the communion, and in the afternoon confirmed 3 in the same church.

Festival of St. Michael and All Angels, Thursday, September 29, consecrated Christ Church, Danby, in the same county, and administered the communion, and in the afternoon confirmed 11.

Friday, 30, consecrated St. Mark's Church, Candor, Tioga county; in the afternoon confirmed 7 there; and in the evening confirmed 2 in the Presbyterian church, Owego, in the same county, for the parish of St. Peter's Church. I also baptized a child in the latter parish.

Saturday, October 1, in Christ Church, Binghamton, Broome county, admitted Nathaniel Watkins to Deacons' Orders, and in the afternoon confirmed 8 in the same church.

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity, October 2, confirmed 9, and administered the communion in St. Luke's Church, Harpersville, in the same county, and preached there again in the afternoon.

It is also proper that I here record the ordination held this day, in your presence, when the Rev. William Tatham, Missionary at Fairfield, Herkimer county, and the Rev. Richard Cox, appointed by the Board of Missions to the station at Vicksburgh, Mississippi, Deacons, were admitted to Priests' Orders. I also regard it as a great privilege to be able to record the presence and assistance, on this occasion, of my Right Rev. Brother, the Missionary Bishop for Missouri and Indiana..

On all the occasions of episcopal duty throughout the year, except two, the sermon was preached by myself.

The following is a summary of the episcopal duties above detailed :—

Ordained 24 deacons; one for the bishop of another Diocese.

Ordained 17 priests.

Instituted 7 rectors.

Confirmed 1348 persons, on 109 occasions.

Laid the corner-stones of 6 churches.

Consecrated 23 churches.*

Changes in the Diocese, other than those already mentioned, are to be noticed as follows :—

The Rev. Edward Andrews has relinquished the rectorship of St. Andrew's Church, New-Berlin, Chenango county, and accepted that of Christ Church, Binghamton, Broome county, the latter having been resigned by the Rev. Richard C. Shimeall.

The Rev. Liberty A. Barrows has relinquished the charge of Emmanuel church, Norwich, Chenango county, that having become a separate missionary station, in which the Rev. Johnson A. Brayton, Deacon, officiates, having transferred his services from Black Rock and Lancaster, Erie county. Mr. Barrows now gives the one-half of his time to St. Thomas' Church, Hamilton, Madison county.

The Rev. Seth W. Beardsley has relinquished the missionary station at Onondaga, Onondaga county, and is now officiating in that at Moravia, Cayuga county.

The Rev. Alva Bennett is the Principal of the High School at Geneseo, Livingston county.

The Rev. George Bridgeman has ceased to supply Salem Church, Brockport, Monroe county.

* In this and preceding years, the consecration of churches has afforded me most gratifying proof of the great good effected by the generous and judicious liberality of the venerable corporation of Trinity Church, in this city. It is generous, because of the readiness of that body to contribute liberally, at all times, of its available funds, to the aid of poorer parishes in the erection of churches. It is judicious, because of the *mode* of contribution, whereby the amounts voted are payable only on condition of their placing the church entirely out of debt, a result to be secured by the parishes concerned. This encourages to exertion, and thus to the best interests of the parish.

In this, as in every other department of the operations of that corporation, it does nothing but good—and that the most invaluable good—to the community. Its benign influence is thus felt in the best interests of society and the common-wealth. It is seen in the extensive promotion of the cause of *CHURCH* in this world, and will be continued during the *sternity* of that *blestness* which the religion thus served secures to its good and faithful followers. So efficient an agent of so much good cannot, let me confidently hope, do otherwise than, whenever they may be wanted, find, in a Christian community, fast and faithful friends.

The Rev. Nathaniel F. Bruce, M. D., has become a resident of Rochester, having been instructed by me to extend his ministerial services to neighboring places.

The Rev. Robert Campbell has resigned the missionary station at Seneca Falls, Seneca county.

The Rev. James D. Carder has added to his duties as rector of St. John's Church, Fort Hamilton, King's county, the very faithful and efficient discharge of those of local secretary of the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions.

The connection heretofore subsisting between Trinity Church, New-Rochelle, and St. Paul's Church, Eastchester, Westchester county, having been dissolved, the Rev. Lawson Carter confines himself to the duties of the rectorship of the former, that of the latter being filled by the Rev. John Grigg, who has removed from the charge of St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, Onondaga county.

The Rev. Thomas Clark was compelled by ill health to resign the missionary station at Elmira, Chemung county. After, however, the necessary suspension of his valuable public functions for several months, I am truly glad to say that he has, by God's blessing, been enabled to resume them at the missionary station of Holland Patent and Oriskany, Oneida county, which, for the same distressing cause, had lost the very useful services of the Rev. George Fiske. Mr. Clark has been succeeded at Elmira by the Rev. Richard Smith, who has resigned the missionary station at Hector, Tompkins county.

The Rev. James W. Cooke, having removed, by letter of dismission, from the Diocese of Rhode Island, has become the assistant minister of St. George's Church, in this city.

The Rev. William Creighton, D. D., who, for nearly twenty years, fulfilled the duties of rector of St. Mark's Church in this city, with exemplary credit to himself, and usefulness to his people, and enjoying the well-merited affection and confidence of the many brethren in the ministry with whom he was so long in constant intercourse, has resigned that station, and removed to Westchester county, in which the benefit of his valuable pastoral labors is enjoyed by Zion Church, Greenburgh, and the newly-organized Christ Church, Tarrytown, of both which he is the rector; the rectorship of Zion Church, heretofore held, in connection with that of St. Paul's, Sing Sing, by the Rev. Edward N. Mead, having been resigned by him.

The Rev. Francis H. Cuming has resigned the rectorship of a parish once, and for a short time, existing in this city, by the name of Emmanuel Church,* and his office as Secretary, Agent, and Editor of the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, and has accepted the charge of Calvary Church, also in this city.

The Rev. Joseph L. Darrow has removed, by letter of dismission, to the Diocese of Illinois.

The Rev. Solomon Davis has been appointed the missionary of the Board of Missions to the Indians at Duck Creek, near Green Bay ; to which place the Oneidas, formerly composing the congregation of St. Peter's Church, Oneida Castle, Oneida county, have emigrated—the said congregation being thus entirely dissolved.

The Rev. Palmer Dyer having removed, by letter of dismission, from Illinois, is performing the duties of the missionary station of Granville, Washington county, which has been resigned by the Rev. Reuben Hubbard, who is residing at Fort Edward, in the same county ; and is also very successfully employed in building up the newly-incorporated parish of St. Paul's Church, Whitehall.

The Rev. Ezekiel G. Gear has resigned the rectorship of St. John's Church, Ithaca, Tompkins county, and removed, by letter of dismission, to the Diocese of Illinois.

The Rev. Henry Gregory has relinquished his long, faithful, and useful duties, as missionary at Homer, Cortland county, and gone in the employ of the Board of Missions to Lake Winnebago, Wisconsin. He is succeeded at Homer by the Rev. Charles Jones.

The Rev. Benjamin Hale, D. D., has removed, by letter of dismission, from the Diocese of New-Hampshire, and accepted the presidency of Geneva College ; which office had been resigned by the Rev. Richard S. Mason, D. D., who has canonically removed

* The utter failure of this enterprise, and that of St. Augustine's Church, call me, however pained at such reminiscences, to caution my brethren in this city and elsewhere not to be too hasty in giving to incipient measures for raising congregations the formality of legal incorporations. The Church of the Nativity in this city, I had feared was in similar danger ; but have since had reason to hope that it will be sustained. In my recent visitation, also, I found no churches at Stafford and Darien, Genesee county, and Newstead, Erie county, in each of which places religious corporations had very recently been formed. It operates unfavorably to have such ephemeral parishes formally received into our Convention. Ability to sustain a parish should be reasonably anticipated, before well meant zeal secures its organization.

to the Diocese of Delaware, having charge, as President thereof, of the College of Newark, in that State.

The Rev. Joshua L. Harrison, Deacon, has removed, by letter of dismission, to the Diocese of Ohio; and the Rev. William H. Hart, to that of Virginia; Mr. Hart being succeeded, as rector of St. Andrew's Church, Walden, Orange county, by the Rev. Robert Shaw, who has canonically removed from the Diocese of North Carolina.

The Rev. Frederick W. Hatch, having removed, by letter of dismission, from the Diocese of Maryland, is the rector of St. Paul's Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county.

The Rev. Nathaniel Huse has resigned the rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Paris, Oneida county, and accepted that of St. Peter's Church, Westfield, Chautauque county.

The Rev. Henry R. Judah has resigned the rectorship of St. John's Church, Troy.

The Rev. James Keeler, having removed, with a letter of dismission, from the Diocese of Connecticut, has become the missionary at Harpersville, Broome county; and the Rev. Ezra B. Kellogg, from the same Diocese, is a missionary in this city, in charge of the Third Missionary Station.

The Rev. Charles Luck has resigned the charge of St. Philip's Church, Phillipstown, Putnam county, where, as before observed, he is succeeded by the Rev. Mr. Storrs.

The Rev. Samuel M'Burney has resigned the missionary station at Lewiston, Niagara county, where he is succeeded by the Rev. Rufus Murray; he having resigned the station at Mayville, Chautauque county. Mr. M'Burney has removed to the Diocese of Massachusetts.

The Rev. Archibald T. K. McCallum, Deacon, has returned to this Diocese, by letter of dismission, from that of Maryland.

The Rev. John F. Messenger has relinquished the missionary station at Walton, Delaware county, and the Rev. Timothy Minor that at Moravia, Cayuga county, the latter having removed to that at West Charlton, Saratoga county, and Port Jackson, Montgomery county.

The venerable Daniel Nash, for nearly forty years a faithful missionary in the counties of Otsego and Chenango, was, about four months since, taken to his rest. He received Deacons' Orders from the first bishop of this Diocese, and went immediately

to the extensive field of labor in which, with a perseverance and fidelity, wherein he set to his younger brethren a most worthy example, he continued to the last. The face of the country, the state of society, the congregations which he served, all underwent great changes ; but still the good man was there, faithful to his post, true to his obligations, and eminently useful in his labors. The young loved him, the mature confided in him, the aged sought in his counsels and example right guidance in the short remainder of their pilgrimage. Parish after parish was built up on foundations laid by him. Younger brethren came in to relieve him of their more immediate charge ; but still the good old man was there, laboring to the last among them ; and long after physical debility forbade very frequent public ministrations, he would go from house to house, gathering the inmates around the domestic altar ; giving great heed to that important branch of pastoral duty which he always loved, and in which he was eminently successful, *catechizing the children* ; and having some word of warning, encouragement, reproof, consolation, or edification, for each, as each had need. It was so ordered, in the course of Providence, that I was, soon after his decease, in the district of country which had so long been the scene of his faithful labors ; and truly gratified was I to witness that best of testimonies to the virtues of the man, the Christian, and the pastor, which was found in the full hearts and tender and reverential expressions of the multitudes who, to use the affectionate epithet with which, for years, they had delighted to know him, had been bereft of *good old father Nash*.

The Rev. Beardsley Northrop has relinquished the charge of Trinity Church, Fayetteville, Onondaga county, and is residing near Lockport, Niagara county.

The Rev. Henry Payne, Deacon, has removed to the Diocese of Ohio.

The Rev. Marcus A. Perry has removed to New-Hartford, Oneida county, where he has charge of a seminary of learning.

The Rev. Hewlett R. Peters has removed into this Diocese, by a letter of dismission, from that of New-Jersey, and has been, for some months, officiating, under a temporary arrangement, in the parish of Trinity Church, in this city.

The Rev. Jesse Pound has become the rector of Christ Church, Manlius, Onondaga county.

In the address to the last Convention, I stated that the Rev. Joseph Prentice, long the faithful and excellent rector of St. Luke's Church, Catskill, had been compelled, by ill health, to resign that station. A few weeks after the Convention, he gave me the gratifying information of great improvement in his health; and stated that although he could hardly look forward to physical ability for the duties of any permanent pastoral settlement, yet he was very anxious for some field of labor where he might be useful as a temporary supply. He was about entering on such a one, when he was instantly bereft of life by the upsetting of a stage in which he was travelling. It was a sudden call to his great account. And, my brethren, who of us would be ready for his account, if also called thus suddenly? It is a question which ought to be constantly in mind, and to arrest the most serious practical attention. We have good hope that our brother was not unprepared. He had long and faithfully labored in the Master's cause, and no small portion of the time under much physical debility and suffering; and gave evidence, in his life and conversation, of a heart truly influenced and governed by the renewing and sanctifying spirit of the Gospel. On his resignation of his parish, a few months before his death, he had been about twenty-one years its rector; and but for physical inability, would doubtless have continued so to the end of his days; for I saw, in his case, strong and delightful confirmation of the fact, which both clergy and parishes seem too unwilling to experience, that the tie of mutual affection and fidelity between a clergyman who is qualified for a respectable parish, and a parish which deserves, and is capable of appreciating, such a one, is strengthened by time, and by the hallowed associations which cluster around a long standing pastoral connexion.

The Rev. James C. Richmond has removed into this Diocese, by letter of dismissal, from that of Connecticut, and has been appointed assistant minister to his brother, the Rev. William Richmond, rector of St. Michael's, St. James', St. Mary's, and St. Ann's churches, in this city. The latter being now also engaged in forming a free church in this city: that is, a church which is to be supported, not by pew rents, but by the voluntary contributions of its attendants—the pews being all free. Such an establishment appears to be required in our city. There are those who

object, on principle, to rendering the privilege of attendance at church dependent on the payment of a tax, and to graduating the eligibleness of situation in church for the comfortable hearing and seeing of the holy offices, by the ability of the worshipper to make a pecuniary return. There are very many highly respectable persons in circumstances too moderate to allow of their paying either the price or rent of good pews in our ordinary churches, but who are still anxious to pay what they can, and as they can, for the privilege of belonging to a regularly-organized portion of our ecclesiastical body, and are therefore, not improperly, reluctant to avail themselves of the accommodations provided by the hand of charity in our mission churches. There is constantly in this great metropolis a large body of strangers, not permanently resident here, belonging to either our communion or that of the Church of England, who find themselves often very painfully situated. They love the services of our sanctuaries, and are desirous to attend them, and to have an opportunity of contributing, in the incidental way, which only is open to them, to their support. They feel, however, a very natural repugnance to obtruding themselves into pews belonging to others. And it is obvious that the presence of the many such as are always with us in our mission churches, would present much the same difficulty in the way of their being occupied by the poor, which, in other churches, was deemed so strong a reason for the establishment of those of a missionary character. For this large and respectable class of our fellow Christians provision should be made. The making of it is the most important object had in view by the proposed erection of free churches, and I know is regarded as a most valuable provision by our brethren in the country, and will doubtless receive from them, in their occasional visits to the city, no small share of its support. And while the establishment of this species of churches is thus a most excellent object in itself, it produces also a highly valuable indirect effect. There are so many whose views, or convenience, or interests, are met by churches in which the pews are free, that there is perpetual danger of the admirably-designed charity of our mission churches being diverted from its proper channel. Places of worship, therefore, not sustained by charity, but thrown on the voluntary support of the attendants, will, it is hoped, allow the experiment of mission churches to be fairly tried; and thus to let it be seen whether the impression, that there is among us a large body of poor to be thus provided for, and

who will avail themselves of the provision which gave rise to this excellent charity, is founded in fact.*

The Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D., has removed from Auburn, Cayuga county, to the city of Utica, where he continues to serve the Church with his wonted fidelity and usefulness as Editor of the Gospel Messenger. Few men deserve better of the Church than this old and faithful servant of her altar. And although his physical powers have been nearly exhausted in an unusually laborious service in her behalf of more than thirty years' ministry, yet his mind, with its vigor unabated, and its ardor uncooled, is still hers; and through the medium of his excellent paper, is perpetually exerted in her behalf. It were a shame on the Church if he were not herein liberally sustained. It were a loss to its members of much that is valuable, interesting, and edifying, if his paper were not extensively circulated. It were an ungrateful estimate of blessing from on high, if so useful and faithful service of one so long devoted to the best interests of man, were not duly and practically appreciated.

The Rev. Richard Salmon has resigned the missionary station at Geddes, Onondaga county, and is engaged in an effort to found a mission in Texas.

The Rev. William Staunton has removed, by letter of dismissal, to the Diocese of Massachusetts.

The Rev. James O. Stokes has resigned the missionary station at Medina, Orleans county, and is residing in the neighborhood of that village, extending ministerial services to congregations in the vicinity.

The Rev. James Sunderland has relinquished the missionary station at Rome, Oneida county, and the Rev. James M. Tappan that at West Troy, Albany county.

The Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck has resigned the rectorship of St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, and Trinity Church, Fishkill, Dutchess county, in the former of which, as before stated, he is succeeded by the Rev. Mr. Goddard, and has become rector of St. George's Church, Flushing, King's county.

* I will, once more, distinctly state the difference between *mission* and *free* churches. The former are for congregations not organized by law, not proprietors of their churches, and having no voice in ecclesiastical concerns, or in the choice of a pastor. The latter have their vestries, are represented in Convention, have their clergymen called in the usual way, and are the same as other parish churches, except that they are supported by the voluntary contributions of the attendants, and not by pew rents.

The Rev. William H. Walter having removed, by letter of dismission, from the Diocese of Connecticut, is the rector of St. Paul's Church, Tompkinsville, Richmond county.

The Rev. William M. Weber, M. D., I greatly regret to say, has been compelled, by impaired health, to relinquish the missionary station at Fairfield, Herkimer county, where he is succeeded, as before stated, by the Rev. Mr. Tatham; and is at present residing in Peterborough, Madison county.

The Rev. George E. Winslow, M. D., whom I reported last year as having gone to England, has, I have been informed, engaged in the pastoral relation in that country. I have received no information from him of his intention to remain there, but the failure, another year, of information to the contrary, will be considered by me as evidence that he has been taken under another episcopal jurisdiction, and his name accordingly be erased from the list of clergy of our Diocese.

The Rev. John W. Woodward has removed, by letter of dismission, to the Diocese of Connecticut.

The number of clergy in our Diocese is 225, 27 more than at the last Convention.

Sixteen clergymen have removed from other dioceses into this, 9 been dismissed from this to other dioceses, and 2 have died.

The present number of candidates for Orders in this Diocese is 36.

They are as follows:—John D. Ogilby, Libertus Van Bokkelen, Henry Lawrence, F. A. P. Barnard, John B. Kerfoot, William E. Eigenbrodt, Asa Griswold, Anthony Ten Broeck, George Ogle, James M. Fenn, Charles Ackley, Solon W. Manney, Samuel Penny, Guy R. Pinching, Thomas L. Mallaby, E. H. Cressy, John Noble, Daniel S. Lewis, G. B. Engle, Joseph G. Knapp, James Harshaw, Charles B. Stout, William W. Hickox, Isaac Swart, Samuel Cooke, George W. Nichols, Alfred H. Partridge, Tapping R. Chipman, John B. Gallagher, William Walton, Joseph Hunter, Alfred Stubbs, Isaiah De Grass, Hobart Williams, Andrew Hull, Francis Vinton.

Of these, 19, viz. Messrs. Lawrence, Eigenbrodt, Ten Broeck, Ackley, Manney, Penny, Pinching, Mallaby, Noble, Lewis, Swart, Cooke, Nichols, Partridge, Chipman, Gallagher, Walton, Williams, and Vinton, are students of the General Theological Seminary.

Charles Skerrett, Benjamin M. Yarrington, and Daniel E.

Burhans, reported last year as candidates, have, at their own request, had their names stricken from the list, the first two on account of want of health.

William H. Purviance, William Caird, and Nelson E. Spencer have been dismissed, as candidates, to other dioceses.

I continue to report the name of George Ogle; but as it is now a long time since I have seen or heard of him, as I have some reason to believe that he has abandoned his studies and engaged in secular pursuits, and as I am uninformed as to the place of his present residence, I hereby give public notice of my intention to erase his name from the list of candidates, unless he report himself to me within six months from this time.

It now becomes necessary, my brethren, for the first time since the organization of our Diocese, for its Bishop to bring before the Convention the subject of his temporal support. The stated provision heretofore made for me has fallen so far short of that which was found necessary in the case of my predecessor, as to have proved quite insufficient for the proper maintenance of the office in this city. The experience of this fact, for nearly six years, has brought with it a degree of inconvenience, discomfort, and unpleasantness, which I hardly think duty requires me any longer to sustain.* I am sure my beloved brethren of the Diocese will not suspect me of selfish motives in bringing forward this subject. Were I governed by such—could I suffer considerations of personal and domestic comfort and enjoyment to sway me—I would say, at once, give me the avails of the Episcopal Fund, even at its present amount, and let me retire to some central part of the Diocese. The duty of visitation could be as well performed as now; my time would be much more at my disposal; my family much more around me; and, of course, my comfort,—yes, and my worldly interests too, and that of those dependent on me,—largely increased. But such considerations may not sway me. I am not my own. I must forget myself in attending to the high and holy obligations of an office of more

* It is true, applications to which necessity forced me, from time to time, to the Vestry of Trinity Church, from whom I have received all my support, found in that Board such favor with kind and liberal friends as to lead to votes for my relief. And I beg that the above remarks may not be so unjustly construed as to be deemed inconsistent with the grateful feelings with which I record this fact. It is obvious, however, that the continuance of such a state of things ought not to be expected of me.

weight, of graver importance, and of more awful responsibility, than any other that man can hold. I know that the residence of the Bishop of this Diocese elsewhere than in this city, would deprive his office of much of that influence, and that favorable bearing, in innumerable ways, on the interests of religion and the Church, which it ought to have, if the Saviour's good purposes in establishing it are to be answered, and that benefit to society, to which it is so well fitted to be subservient, is to be realized in any good degree. But I know too—my own trying experience, and the experience of the office before I held it, have taught me—that it cannot be sustained, as in every Christian and Churchman-like view of it, it ought to be, in this city, without a liberal provision for the unnumbered means of usefulness which are here daily opening upon it.

But I forbear. I am before you, brethren, as one willing to spend and be spent in the discharge of the high and momentous functions of the office to which my Master has called me, in the fulfilment of its varied responsibilities, and in self-sacrificing devotion to whatever can advance its proper influence, and thus its due usefulness. And in being before you, I thank God I am before those in whose sound judgment, Christian and Church-like views of the subject, and kind and affectionate attachment to their Bishop, I can fully rely. To such brethren and friends I now confidently commit the whole matter.

I had proposed bringing sundry other subjects of interest to the notice of this Convention. The uncommon occupation of time, however, during my late long visitation; and my having so recently returned from it, have deprived me of ability to make the necessary preparation. It may be that I may append some of them as notes to this address when printed.

I have only to add my devout prayers for the blessings of God's providence and grace upon yourselves, your flocks, and your constituents; and especially for his merciful guidance of you in the good work which you have now in hand.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK.

New-York, October 6, 1836.

The Secretary then read the following communication from the Vestry of Trinity Church, which had been sent to him to be communicated to the Convention :—

New-York, 30th September, 1836.

To the Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D.

REVEREND SIR,—In pursuance of the directions of the Vestry of Trinity Church, in the city of New-York, I now hand you, as Secretary of the last Diocesan Convention, the annexed extract of the proceedings of the Vestry, to be laid before the next annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York.

I am, very respectfully, Reverend Sir,
Your most obedient,

T. L. OGDEN,
Clerk of the Vestry of Trinity Church.

At a meeting of the corporation of Trinity Church in the city of New-York, held in their vestry office, on the fourteenth day of December, in the year 1835,

1st. Resolved, That in lieu of all previous grants and engagements by this corporation, in relation to the support of the Episcopate ; and in order to provide for the support of the Bishop of this Diocese, independently of any parochial cure, the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars be paid by this corporation to the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund in aid of the same, whenever and as soon as the said Fund shall amount to the sum of Seventy Thousand Dollars, upon the following specific conditions, viz.

1. That the capital of the said Fund shall remain inviolate ; and that the annual interest thereof, or so much thereof as the Convention may deem adequate to the independent support of the Bishop, shall be applied to his support.

2. That in case of any future division of this Diocese, the said sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars, and one half of the said sum of Seventy Thousand Dollars shall belong to that part of the Diocese in which the city of New-York may be situate ; the interest thereof to be applied to the support of the Bishop within the same.

2d. Resolved, That whenever the said sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars shall be paid, in pursuance of the previous resolution, or as soon thereafter as the Convention shall have acted on the subject, the parochial connexion between this corporation and the present Bishop shall cease and be dissolved.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing resolutions be transmitted by the clerk of this Board, to the Bishop of the Diocese, and another copy thereof to the Secretary of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York, to be laid before that body.

Extract from the Minutes of the Vestry of Trinity Church, New-York.

T. L. OGDEN.

On motion, the foregoing communication, together with so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the subject embraced therein, was referred to a special committee consisting of the following gentlemen :—

The Rev. Dr. Hawks, Rev. Dr. Reed, Rev. Dr. Milnor, Rev. Mr. Proal, Rev. Mr. Orsamus H. Smith ; P. A. Jay, David Hadden, Erastus Root, David Hudson, George Field, Esqrs.

The Secretary then reported that, in obedience to the direction of the last Convention, he had addressed to the Vestry of Trinity Church a letter requesting information relative to the lands at Fort Hunter, of which the following is a copy :—

New-York, March 15th, 1836.

To the Rector, Churchwardens, and Vestrymen of Trinity Church in the city of New-York.

GENTLEMEN,—By direction of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New-York, and as Secretary thereof, it becomes my duty

respectfully to solicit for the Convention certain information from your corporation, the purport of which will best appear from the following resolution adopted by the Convention.

"Whereas, it appears from time to time on the Journals of this Convention, from the year 1786 to the year 1796, that measures were commenced and a correspondence carried on between the Standing Committee of this Diocese and the Society in England for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, relative to obtaining a conveyance of certain property, owned by the said Society in this State, for the benefit of the Church in this State; and whereas the Journals do not show the result of the negotiations, therefore,

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed respectfully to ask of the Vestry of Trinity Church, New-York, to afford to the Convention such information as they may possess relative to the transfer, by the Society aforesaid, of a certain farm at Fort Hunter, particularly mentioned in the early Journals of this Convention.

In submitting the request here directed by the Convention, it is only necessary to add, that it is made with a feeling of perfect respect and confidence toward your body (in whose possession the Fort Hunter Farm is understood to be); and the object is to obtain such information as will make the records of the Convention complete, and put at rest a matter which now appears upon them to be undecided, and consequently leads to inquiry and discussion which is unprofitable and needless.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen, with very sincere respect,

Your obedient servant,

FRANCIS L. HAWKS,

Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of New-York.

And that he had received the following answer to the same:—

New-York, 30th Sept., 1836.

To the Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D.

REVEREND SIR,—I am directed by the Vestry of Trinity Church, in the city of New-York, to transmit to you, as Secretary of the last annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York, the annexed extract of the proceedings of the Vestry, to be submitted to the next annual Convention as containing the information desired by that body in relation to the glebe farm at Fort Hunter.

I am, very respectfully, Reverend Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

T. L. OGDEN,

Clerk of the Vestry of Trinity Church.

At a meeting of the corporation of Trinity Church in the city of New-York, held in their Vestry office on the twelfth day of September, 1836, the Standing Committee to whom was referred a communication from the Secretary of the last Convention of this Diocese relative to the glebe farm at Fort Hunter, made a report in the following words:—

"The Standing Committee, to whom was referred a letter of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of New-York, with a copy of a resolution of the last Convention, directing the Secretary to ask of the Vestry of Trinity Church in the city of New-York, to afford to the Convention such information as they may possess relative to the transfer by the Society in England for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, of a certain farm at Fort Hunter, particularly mentioned in the early Journals of the Convention, respectfully report as follows:—

"The farm in question was conveyed by the Society above mentioned to the corporation of Trinity Church in the city of New-York, by deed, dated October 19th, 1791. The purposes of this conveyance are expressed in the following extract:—To have and to hold all and singular, the said tract or parcel of land, hereditaments, and premises above mentioned, and every part and parcel thereof, with their and every of their appurtenances unto the said parties of the second part—their successors and assigns for ever: upon the trusts, nevertheless, and for the intent and purposes following, that is to say, that the said parties of the second part, their successors and assigns, shall and will, from time to time, and at all times hereafter, ap-

ply the said tract or parcel of land, hereditaments, and premises, with the appurtenances or the clear rent issues and profits thereof, or cause the same to be applied toward the support and maintenance of the minister or ministers of such congregation or congregations in communion of the said Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York—as they, the said parties of the second part, or their successors, shall think most advisable, and as shall be most conducive to the advancement of true religion according to the doctrines and discipline of the said Church, or suffer the same tract or parcel of land, with the appurtenances, to be occupied as a glebe by such minister or ministers, if they, the said parties of the second part, or their successors, shall think it proper so to do; and that, upon such considerations, and subject to such reservations and limitations as the said parties of the second part or their successors, may from time to time declare, limit, and appoint.

“The Vestry of Trinity Church, soon after the date of this conveyance, took measures to recover possession of the property, but a considerable time elapsed before the possession was obtained; and in the prosecution of the claim, various sums of money were expended, at different times, amounting to about fourteen hundred dollars, the reimbursement of which has been gratuitously relinquished by the Vestry, so that the property intrusted to them remains undiminished or unencumbered by any charge whatever on the part of the Vestry of Trinity Church.

“The rents and profits of the farm were allowed to be received by the Vestry of St. John's Church, at Johnstown, for the use of that church. The congregation of St. Ann's Church at Fort Hunter being dispersed, having ceased to assemble for divine worship, the church having fallen into decay, and the society being wholly unorganized.

“In 1819, St. John's Church, in an application to Trinity Church, stated that the farm was subject to great waste and dilapidation, and that the rent was far less than the interest on the money, which might be obtained on a sale, and requested that it might be sold; and the Vestry being satisfied that the interest of the proceeds of the farm would produce a larger and more certain income than the rent of it, resolved, on the 10th day of May, 1819, that they would unite with St. John's Church in an application to the Legislature for an Act authorizing the sale of the farm, and that the interest on the moneys arising from the sale should be applied to the support of St. John's Church, until the re-establishment of the church at Fort Hunter, and then to the support of the two churches equally; and on a second application to the same effect, a similar resolution was passed the 14th day of February, 1820.

“An Act of the Legislature authorizing the sale of the farm was passed the 24th March, in the year 1820. A sale of the south part of the farm was negotiated in 1823, and consummated by a conveyance in 1825, when the proceeds were put out on bond and mortgages, under the direction of Daniel Cady, Esq.; and it being represented, in behalf of St. Ann's Church, Florida, that a certain sum allowed by the Canal Commissioners for the land occupied as the site of the old church at Fort Hunter, taken for the use of the Erie Canal, had been claimed and received by St. John's Church, a resolution was passed by the Vestry, on the 9th day of May, 1825, recommending an arrangement between the two congregations, as well in relation to this sum, as to a division of the securities, so that Trinity Church might be relieved from the burden of the trust.

“In 1826, the residue of the farm having been sold, and the whole proceeds (being four thousand six hundred and eighty-two dollars) having been invested in bonds and mortgages, under the direction of the said Daniel Cady, a power was given to the Vestry of St. John's Church at Johnstown, to receive the annual interest, being three hundred and twenty-seven dollars and seventy-four cents. This power was revocable at the pleasure of the Vestry, and was given under a full understanding, that when the church of St. Ann's, at Florida, should be organized and supplied with a clergyman, the interest should be appropriated agreeably to the resolution of the Vestry, in May, 1825.

“No arrangement being made between the two churches, and no further application having been received from the inhabitants of Florida, the Vestry resolved, on the 14th May, 1832, that whenever the inhabitants of Florida should agree among themselves upon the re-establishment of St. Ann's Church, whether in that town or in concert with the Episcopalians of Amsterdam, in the village of Amsterdam, and should proceed to organize and establish the said church, the vestry thereof should henceforth be entitled to receive one half of the annual interest or income of the

proceeds of the said farm, pursuant to the former resolutions of the Vestry, and that the Vestry of St. John's Church be required then to pay over to the use of St. Ann's Church one half the amount received by them from the Canal Commissioners for the site and materials of the old church edifice of St. Ann's; copies of which resolutions were forwarded to the Vestry of St. John's, and to the Rev. Moses Burt, for the information of the inhabitants of Florida. On the 12th of May, 1834, directions were given by the Vestry to the Standing Committee to carry into effect the resolutions, but St. Ann's Church was not reorganized until the following year.

"It having been represented to the Vestry that the Episcopalians in the vicinity of Florida had been reorganized, and become incorporated, under the name of St. Ann's Church, Port Jackson, and were preparing to erect a church edifice, the Vestry, on the 14th of December, 1835, on the report and recommendation of their Standing Committee, to whom the matter had been referred, ordered that the Comptroller be authorized to require of the Vestry of St. John's payment of the money received by the said Vestry, or their Treasurer, for the site and materials of the old church edifice, called St. Ann's, from the Canal Commissioners, or otherwise to be paid over to the Vestry of St. Ann's Church when reorganized; and in case of their neglect so to do, it was ordered that the amount should be retained out of that half of the future interest to accrue on the bonds taken from the proceeds of the sale of the glebe farm, theretofore appropriated to the use of St. John's, and that one half of the entire interest thereafter to accrue on the said bonds, should be held by the Comptroller for the use of St. Ann's Church, and a copy of this resolution was delivered to the Vestry of St. John's, and a demand made accordingly by the Comptroller.

"A copy of that resolution having been delivered to the Vestry of St. John's, an arrangement was entered into with a committee of St. John's, by which the nett proceeds of the sale of the site and materials of the old church edifice, the amount of which, by the order of sale of the Court of Chancery, was directed to be kept at interest, was to be added to the proceeds of the sale of the glebe farm, and the interest on the whole amount, after deducting certain law expenses, was to be equally divided between the two churches of St. John's and St. Ann's; which arrangement was confirmed by the Vestry of Trinity Church on the 11th day of July last."

Which report was approved by the Vestry, and the clerk was directed to furnish a copy thereof to the Secretary of the last Diocesan Convention, to be laid before the next annual Convention, as containing the information requested of this Board in relation to the glebe farm at Fort Hunter.

Extract from the minutes of the Vestry of Trinity Church.

T. L. OGDEN, Clerk.

The following Standing Committees were then appointed by the Chair:—

On the *Incorporation of Churches*,

William Johnson, Esq., Rev. Dr. Reed, and Erastus Root, Esq.

On the *Diocesan Fund*,

Rev. Mr. Bayard, Rev. O. H. Smith, Floyd Smith, and Joseph A. Constant, Esqrs.

On the *Treasurer's Report*,

Robert C. Nicholas, Peter G. Stuyvesant, and Joseph Juliand, Esqrs.

On the *Theological Seminary*,

The Rev. Dr. Creighton, the Rev. Mr. Proal, Mr. Whitehouse, Dr. McDonald, and Mr. Alfred Berkley.

The Convention then adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 7, 10 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The Convention met. Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Reuben Sherwood, after which the Bishop took the chair. The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The names of such of the clergy as were not present yesterday were then called, when the following gentlemen appeared, viz. Rev. Messrs. Allanson, J. P. F. Clark Harris, Daniel V. M. Johnson, Judah, Moore, Morris, Nichols, William Shelton, and Eli Wheeler.

The names of such Lay Delegates, certified to be duly appointed, as did not appear yesterday, were then called, when the following gentlemen answered, viz.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Dutchess,	St. Paul's, Poughkeepsie,	J. Delafield.
Greene,	St. Luke's, Catskill,	Ira Dubois.
King's,	St. Ann's, Brooklyn,	Conklin Brush.
New-York,	St. Clement's,	Samuel B. Romaine.
		William S. Popham.
	St. Mark's,	Wheaton Bradish.
	St. Bartholomew's,	Samuel Jones.
	St. Thomas',	William Neilson.
	St. Luke's,	J. R. Satterlee.
Queen's,	Christ, North Hempstead,	George Hewlet.
Rensselaer,	St. John's, Troy,	Samuel Buel.
Westchester,	St. James', North Salem,	Joshua Purdy.
	St. Paul's, Sing Sing,	Samuel C. Nichols.
		John Strang.
	Trinity, New-Rochelle,	Herman Le Roy, jun.

The following gentlemen then presented certificates, answered to their names, and took their seats.

Dutchess,	St. Paul's, Red Hook,	Edward P. Livingston.
		Robert Livingston.
King's,	St. Paul's, Brooklyn,	H. Edey.
New-York,	L'Eglise du St. Esprit,	Gulian C. Verplanck.
		A. Lacombe.
Orange,	St. Andrew's, Walden,	Nicholas J. Bogert.
		Jacob T. Walden.
	St. James', Goshen,	Thomas Thorn.
Queen's,	St. Paul's, Glen Cove,	Edward Coles.
	St. George's, Hempstead,	Samuel Valentine.
Rensselaer,	St. Paul's, Troy,	Stephen Warren.
Richmond,	St. Andrew's, Richmond,	James Guyon.
		Stephen Mersereau.
Westchester,	St. Peter's, Westchester,	Francis Barretto.
		Robert J. Turnbull.

The Secretary then read an invitation from the Chancellor of the University of New-York, inviting the Convention to be present this day at the exercises of the annual commencement.

On motion of Mr. Bayard, *Resolved*, That the Secretary inform the Chancellor of the university that the Convention has received the invitation to be present at the commencement to-day, and regrets that the sittings of the Convention will prevent its acceptance.

On motion, the rules of order were read by the Secretary, and it was resolved that hereafter they be always printed in the appendix to the journals of Convention.

Pursuant to the rules of order, the House proceeded to the election of a Standing Committee for the ensuing year, and of delegates and supplemental delegates to the General Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Creighton and Mr. Jay having declined reappointment as members, the following gentlemen were elected the Standing Committee:—Rev. Drs. Lyell, Berrian, McVickar, and Anthon, of the clergy; and T. L. Ogden, William A. Duer, William Johnson, and Floyd Smith, Esqrs., of the laity.

The following were elected delegates to the General Convention:—Drs. Lyell, Milnor, Anthon, and Hawks, of the clergy; and P. A. Jay, T. L. Ogden, Stephen Warren, and James Emott, Esqrs., of the laity.

The following were elected supplemental delegates, viz. Rev. Drs. Eastburn, McVickar, Berrian, and Mr. L. P. Bayard; William Johnson, P. G. Stuyvesant, John T. Irving, and Floyd Smith, Esqrs., of the laity.

On motion of Mr. Mead, *Resolved*, That the Secretary do retain one hundred copies of the printed journal of each Convention for the use of the members of the next Convention.

Dr. Milnor, in behalf of the Committee appointed at the last Convention, to whom was referred the subject of a division of the Diocese, reported as follows:—

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to consider and report upon a communication from the Secretary of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, on the subject of the division of dioceses, and also so much of the address of the Right Rev. Bishop of this Diocese as relates to a division of the same, respectfully report,

That they have had the subject submitted to them under consideration, but are not yet prepared to present a report thereon; they, therefore, ask either to be discharged from their appointment, and that a new committee may be appointed in their stead, or to be continued with a view to a report at the next Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES MILNOR, *Chairman*.

New-York, October 7, 1836.

Whereupon the Committee was discharged.

Dr. Hawks, from the Committee to whom was referred a communication from Trinity Church, and a part of the Bishop's Address touching the support of the episcopate, reported as follows:—

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as related to his support, and also a communication from the corporation of Trinity Church, on the subject of the Fund for the Support of the Episcopate, report :—

That the corporation of Trinity Church have resolved to pay \$30,000 to the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund in aid of the same, whenever it shall amount to \$70,000, on condition,

1. That the capital of the fund shall remain inviolate, and that so much of the annual interest thereof as the Convention shall deem adequate, shall be applied to the support of the Bishop.

2. That in case of a division of the Diocese, the whole of the said sum of \$30,000, and one half of the said sum of \$70,000, shall belong to that part of the Diocese in which the city of New-York may be situate, the interest thereof to be applied to the support of the Bishop within the same.

The Committee recommend that the Convention should agree to the foregoing conditions. And further, that when the fund shall, by means of the said payment by Trinity Church, amount to \$100,000, the interest of \$90,000 be appropriated to the support of the Bishop, and that the residue of the fund continue to accumulate until the Convention shall otherwise direct.

With these views, the Committee submit the following resolutions :—

Resolved, That this Convention does hereby agree to the conditions on which the corporation of Trinity Church, in the city of New-York, propose to pay the sum of \$30,000 to the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund in aid of the same, which conditions are contained in the communication from that corporation, dated on the 14th of December, 1835.

Resolved, That, whenever the said fund shall, by means of the said payment, amount to the sum of \$100,000, the interest arising from \$90,000, part thereof, shall be appropriated and paid for the support of the Bishop of the Diocese, and that the remainder of the said fund be managed as heretofore, and suffered to accumulate; and that this resolution be in force until repealed by the Convention.

FRANCIS L. HAWES, *Chairman*.

The foregoing resolutions being severally put, were adopted.

Mr. Johnson, from the Committee on the Incorporation of Churches, made the following report :—

The Committee to whom was referred the certificates of the incorporation of churches, respectfully report :—

That they have examined the same, and find the certificates of the incorporation of the following churches to be correct and regular, to wit :—St. Paul's Church, in the village of Flat Bush, King's county; Christ Church, in the sixth ward of the city of Brooklyn, King's county; Immanuel Church, in the village of Otego, county of Otsego; Christ Church, in the village of Tarrytown, Westchester county; St. Mary's Church, in the village of Hempstead Harbor, Queen's county; St. Paul's Church, in the village of Auroraville, Erie county; Grace Church, in the town of Canton, St. Lawrence county; St. Ann's Church, in the village of Port Jackson, Montgomery county; Zion Church, Pierrepont Manor, county of Jefferson; St. Paul's Church, in Aurora, Cayuga county; St. Peter's Church, in the village of Forrestville, Chautauque county; and Calvary Church, in the city of New-York.

WILLIAM JOHNSON,
JOHN REED,
ERASTUS ROOT.

The question being then taken on the admission of each of the churches named in the report, they were severally admitted, and the Rev. Mr. Cuming appeared as the rector of Calvary Church. The following gentlemen of the laity also appeared as Delegates, viz.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Jefferson,	Zion, Pierrepont Manor,	William C. Pierrepont.
King's,	St. Paul's, Flat Bush,	Matthew Clarkson.
Montgomery,	St. Ann's, Port Jackson,	Martin J. Borst.
New-York,	Calvary, New-York,	William L. Holmes.
		James D. Fitch,
Westchester,	Christ, Tarrytown,	Nathaniel B. Holmes.

The Committee to whom had been referred the Treasurer's Report, handed in the same with a report thereon as follows:—

The Standing Committee to whom was referred the Treasurer's accounts, respectfully report—That they have examined the same, and carefully compared them with the vouchers, and find a balance in favor of the Treasurer amounting to six dollars.

ROBERT C. NICHOLAS,
P. G. STUYVESANT,
JOSEPH JULIAND.

New-York, October 7, 1836.

*The Convention of the Diocese of New-York in account current with
Floyd Smith, Treasurer.*

Oct. 4, 1835.		DR.	
To Cash paid the Rev. clergy for mileage,	- - - - -	\$378	89
" Rev. Dr. Anthon, Secretary of the General Convention,	- - - - -	100	00
" Eli Maynard, for stationary,	- - - - -	1	75
" H. E. Phinney & Co., for do.,	- - - - -	00	81
" Benjamin M. Brown, Esq., Treasurer of the Education and Missionary Society,	- - - - -	887	06
" Benjamin M. Brown, Esq., Treasurer of the Education Fund,	- - - - -	454	38
" Protestant Episcopal Press,	- - - - -	454	77
" Hubert Van Wageningen, Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund,	- - - - -	488	06
" Entered to the Diocesan Fund, but not paid, for the City Mission Society,	- - - - -	30	00
" To my note to the Protestant Episcopal Press, on account,	- - - - -	76	68
		\$2872	40
Oct. 7, 1836.			
To amount of error discovered,	- - - - -	6	00
Oct. 1836.		CR.	
By Cash received from 73 parishes for the Episcopal Fund,	- - - - -	\$488	06
" " 70 parishes for the Missionary Fund,	- - - - -	887	06
" " 30 parishes for the Education Fund,	- - - - -	454	38
" " 110 parishes for the Diocesan Fund,	- - - - -	1037	88
By one year's interest on \$71 66, which remained in my hands waiting the discovery of a supposed error,	- - - - -	5	02
		\$2872	40

FLOYD SMITH, Treasurer.

New-York, September 27th, 1836.

Whereupon it was *Resolved*, That the House concur in the report of the Committee.

Floyd Smith then tendered his resignation as Treasurer, which was accepted by the Convention.

He then submitted the following resolution:—

Resolved, That a special committee of three be appointed to take into consideration the subject of the Treasurer's duties, and of the most convenient manner in which they may be performed, and report to the House as speedily as possible.

This was adopted, and Messrs. Smith, Warren, and Woolley were appointed.

On motion of Dr. Milnor, *Resolved*, unanimously, That the thanks of the Convention be tendered to Floyd Smith, Esq., for his long-continued and faithful services as Treasurer of this Convention.

Dr. Hawks moved that the House proceed immediately to the election of a Treasurer, which was adopted; when

Mr. Jay moved that an election by ballot should be dispensed with, which was unanimously adopted.

C. N. S. Rowland, Esq., was then nominated and appointed Treasurer.

It was then moved, that when the Convention adjourn, it will adjourn to six o'clock this evening; this was adopted, and the Convention then adjourned.

FRIDAY EVENING, 6 O'CLOCK.

The Convention met according to adjournment. The minutes of the morning's session were read and approved.

The rules of order were then suspended to permit the Rev. Dr. Anthon to move a reconsideration of the vote of this morning, discharging the Committee appointed by the last Convention on the division of the Diocese.

The House agreed to the reconsideration, when it was *Resolved*, That the same Committee be continued until the next Convention.

Mr. Stuyvesant then called up a report laid over at the last Convention, respecting the law for incorporating religious societies in the State of New-York; when the report, and the bill proposed by the Committee to be submitted to the Legislature of the State, with a request that it might be enacted as a law, were read.

The Right Rev. President having informed the House that it was necessary for him to withdraw for a time, to attend the annual meeting of the Corporation for the Relief of the Widows and Children of Deceased Clergymen, the Convention resolved to take a recess for half an hour. At the expiration of that time the Bishop again took the chair, and the Convention proceeded to consider the proposed bill on the subject of incorporating religious societies.

On motion of Mr. Hoffman, it was *Resolved*, That the subject be referred back to the same Committee, to report what amendments of the present law are advisable in respect to the qualifi-

cations of voters at the first and other elections of wardens and vestrymen; and as to the necessity of the presence of the rector at all meetings of the Vestry; and as to the rector being the presiding officer to hold the annual elections for vestrymen.

On motion of Mr. Whittingham, it was *Resolved*, That the Committee be instructed to prepare a report, to be appended to the journal of the present Convention.

The Convention then adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 8, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention met, and morning prayers were read by the Rev. Edward N. Mead. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Dr. Creighton, from the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, made the following report, with which the House concurred:—

The Committee on the General Theological Seminary beg leave to report:—

That in right of additions to the funds of the Seminary, and to the number of the clergy, this Diocese is entitled to several more Trustees, but as there can be no action by the General Convention until 1838, it is thought unnecessary to make any nomination at present.

W. CREIGHTON, *Chairman*.

The Trustees of the Fund for the Support of the Episcopate handed in the following report:—

The Trustees of the Fund for the Support of the Episcopate in the Diocese of New-York, respectfully report:—

That the fund intrusted to them amounted, on the 1st of October, 1835, agreeably to their last report, to - - - - - \$64,003 21
Interest due thereon to that date, - - - - - 1467 16
They have since paid corporation tax, - - - - - 90 00

\$63,913 21

And have received, as follows:—

Cash for interest,	- - - - -	\$4024 00
Do. from F. Smith, Esq., Treasurer of Convention,	- - - - -	488 06
“ St. Mark’s Church, Hunt’s Hollow,	- - - - -	2 00
“ Zion Church, Little Neck, Long Island,	- - - - -	7 70
“ Zion Church, New-York,	- - - - -	17 50
“ St. James’ Church, Newtown, for 1834,	- - - - -	3 37
“ “ “ “ 1835,	- - - - -	4 13
“ Trinity Church, Ulster county,	- - - - -	5 52
“ St. Paul’s Church, Turin,	- - - - -	1 00
“ Rev. Mr. Fish, Oriskany,	- - - - -	1 13
“ Trinity Church, New-York,	- - - - -	75 00— 4629 41

\$68,542 62

Interest due thereon 1st of October, 1836, - - - - -

1552 66

\$70,095 28

Showing an increase during the year of - - - - -

\$4624 91.

The Fund is invested in bonds and mortgages on real estate in this city at present, at seven per cent. interest,	- - - -	\$55,900 00
Bonds of Trinity Church, New-York, at 6 per cent.	- - - -	12,250 00
Cash in the hands of the Treasurer, received since 17th Sept.,	- - - -	392 62
		<hr/> \$68,542 62

H. VAN WAGENEN,
WILLIAM JOHNSON,
EDWARD R. JONES,
THOMAS SWORDS.

New-York, 1st October, 1836.

On motion of Dr. Hawks, *Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund have full power, as the agents of this Convention, to carry into effect the resolution adopted by the House during the present session, touching the support of the Bishop, from the interest of the Episcopal Fund; and that it be left to the said Trustees, upon conference with the Bishop to determine at what time the salary of the Bishop shall commence.

Mr. William Seaver, a delegate from St. James' Church, Batavia, Genesee county, presented a certificate of his appointment, and took his seat.

The Bishop, as chairman of a committee appointed by the last Convention upon the subject of systematic charity, on the mode usually termed "offerings of the Church," made a statement to the House of the causes which had prevented the Committee from acting; and asked that the Committee might be discharged. On motion, the request was granted.

The Secretary assigned reasons to the Convention why the duties assigned to a special committee appointed by the last Convention on the subject of a form for parochial reports, had not been performed. On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The Secretary then moved that the same subject be referred to a special committee of three, with instructions to report at this session; this was adopted, and the Rev. Dr. Whitehouse, the Rev. Dr. Milnor, and the Rev. Mr. Breintnall, were appointed, and by leave of the House retired to prepare their report.

By direction of the Bishop, the names of all the clergy in the Diocese, as well those having parochial cures as those otherwise employed, were called over by the Secretary, and they were requested to hand in to the Bishop, pursuant to a canon of the last General Convention, a parochial report or a statement of occasional services during the past year.

The special Committee on the form of parochial reports handed in a report, and after some discussion thereon, on motion, the subject was indefinitely postponed.

The Rev. Mr. Philips moved "that the collections hereafter made in each parish for the increase of the Episcopal Fund be continued until the further order of the Convention."

Dr. Milnor moved, as an amendment, the following:—That it *be recommended* to the clergy that the annual collections to the

Episcopal Fund be continued until the Convention shall take further order concerning them.

This amendment was accepted by Mr. Philips, and in this form the resolution was passed.

The Special Committee on the subject of the most convenient mode of discharging the Treasurer's duties, reported, that it was expedient for the Treasurer to have an assistant; whereupon,

Resolved, That the Treasurer have authority to appoint an assistant.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Secretary cause 2500 copies of the journal to be printed.

Resolved, That the Committee on the Diocesan Fund have power to act in the appropriation of the fund to the payment of the expenses of the clergy, after the adjournment of the Convention.

The Committee adopted the following resolution:—

Resolved, That there be paid to the clergy entitled to the benefit of the said fund who reside more than twenty miles from this city, 3¢ cents for every mile of the distance from their respective parishes, and that the remainder be appropriated to the printing of the Journal, the liquidating of the debt of the Convention, and such other purposes as the Convention may direct.

L. P. BAYARD, *Chairman*.

On motion of Dr. Whitehouse, *Resolved*, That the Secretary be empowered to convey to the corporation of Trinity Church, New-York, the grateful sense of this Convention of the liberality of that body in completing the Episcopal Fund of this Diocese by the donation of thirty thousand dollars.

The Bishop then delivered the following

ADDRESS.*

BRETHREN,—Suffer me to ask, before we part, a few moments of your attention.

I cannot refrain from expressing my grateful sensibility to the kindness of the Convention in the liberal appropriation which it has made of the means at its disposal, for my temporal support and comfort. Most cheerfully do I accept of the provision thus made for me; and trust that I am not mistaken in the delightful confidence that it is but another among the proofs with which I am daily blessed, of the kindness and affection of my beloved

* The immense pressure of business, growing out of my having returned from a visitation of two months and a half on the day next preceding the Convention, forced me to the expedient of delivering this address nearly *extempore*. A portion of its original matter has been incorporated into the notes to the regular canonical address. The remainder is here given in, it is believed, very close conformity to both the matter and the phraseology of the address as delivered.

Diocese. God grant that it may have its proper effect upon my entire devotion to its spiritual and eternal good !

I would also add to the similar sentiment which you have expressed, my own grateful sense of that direction of their characteristic munificence, and regard for the best interests of the Church and the community, which the corporation of Trinity Church, in this city, have given, by their resolution to raise the Episcopal Fund to the amount required by the Convention before its avails are to be used. It constitutes another of the strong claims of that body upon the respect, confidence, and affection of the whole Diocese.

The retaining of \$10,000 of the Episcopal Fund for accumulation, I beg leave to add, meets with my entire approbation. It is in wise foresight of the necessity which must ere long come, of more ample provision for episcopal duty in this State, and also of provision, as God in his providence may require it, for an infirm and disabled diocesan.

During the past year I have travelled about four thousand miles, and visited almost every county in our State. It would be wrong for me to say that I have witnessed any very marked favorable change in the spiritual state of the Diocese ; but I can say—and I say it with great gratitude—that there is apparent a gradual improvement, an increase, both in numbers and piety, of the strength of our Diocese. *Christian consistency*, in both doctrine and practice, is, I think, becoming more and more apparent among our members.*

On the whole, our branch of God's holy Church has great cause for thankfulness and encouragement. And for the instrumentality in producing this state of things which God may have allowed you, beloved brethren of the clergy and laity, in your respective spheres of usefulness and responsibility, let us unite in praising his holy name. And that we may reasonably hope for a continuance of this great mercy, suffer a word of affectionate exhortation ; and pray for me that I may not forget my own near personal interest in it.

Never suffer your minds, brethren, to be drawn off from the

*I must, in candor, own, that in reference to two points, I am not without my doubts whether what is said above ought not to be with qualification : I refer to two principles which threaten to bring Christians under a dominion seriously adverse to the second head of the baptismal renunciation—the increase of worldly wealth, and devotion to political concerns.

important consideration that the objects of our coming together in Convention are spiritual and holy. It is for the good of God's household, in the various departments in which we may be instrumental to that good, that we here meet for deliberation and action. The practical bearing of this consideration on the motives which should actuate us, the manner in which our business should be transacted, and the great heed we should give to whatever may afford us right guidance in the principles and precepts of Scripture, and the venerable sanction and authority of the Church, I will not now urge.

My brethren of the clergy, return to your several spheres of usefulness, from a meeting which, if I have heard aright, has been one of much comfort and satisfaction to you, resolved, by God's grace, to forward his glorious work of sanctifying and saving the world, by labors still more abundant; by giving yourselves, soul, body, and spirit, with all their powers and affections, to the *one thing* to which you were set apart in ordination; by drawing all your cares and studies this way, setting aside the study of the world and of the flesh; and by never ceasing your labor, your care, and diligence, until you have done all that in you lies, according to your bounden duty, in accomplishing the great ends for which God received you into his holy ministry.

Brethren of the laity, return to your respective parishes as they that have been engaged in God's work. Let it be seen, not in parade, ostentation, and grimace, but in the meekness, humility, and pureness of true piety of heart and life, that your love for the Church, in whose concerns you have come together, is honest and sincere; and governed and controlled by a due practical appreciation of its character as the Church of the living God, the body of CHRIST, and the divinely-constituted mean of all that spiritual and eternal good which CHRIST, by his merits and death, purchased for his people.

And may God, beloved brethren, clerical and lay, be with you all! May his choicest blessings rest upon your persons, your families, and your parishes—his blessings spiritual and temporal—his blessings in this world and in the world to come!

The Convention then, having united with the Bishop in singing and prayers, and received his blessing, adjourned *sine die*.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, D. D.,

Bishop of the Diocese of New-York, and President of the Convention.

Attest,

FRANCIS L. HAWKS, D. D., *Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

NO. I.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

The following portions of the parochial reports are published by direction of the Bishop:—

St. Paul's Church, Albany; the REV. JOSEPH H. PRICE, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 40, adults 4) 44—Marriages 24—Communicants (added 17, withdrawn 1) present number 115.

Collections:—

Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 5 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	18 00
Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	-	-	-	24 00

Other collections have been made, but no record has been kept of them.

St. Peter's Church, Albany; the REV. HORATIO POTTER, Rector.

The rector having been absent from the country at the last meeting of the Convention, includes in his present report the occurrences of the last two years. During his absence the whole church was thoroughly repaired, several important improvements made, and a new organ erected, the whole cost being seven or eight thousand dollars. The church is entirely full, and many additional pews needed to supply the wants of applicants. Upwards of three hundred dollars have recently been contributed for missionary purposes in this Diocese and in the western and south-western States. Other remittances have been made, the precise amount of which is not recollected. There is a prevalent disposition in the parish to respond cheerfully and liberally to appeals in behalf of the general interests of religion and the Church.

Weekly lectures have been continued during the cool seasons of the year, and have been well attended. The *Sunday school* continues to flourish under the care of its devoted and able superintendent, Mr. J. M. Woodward. Connected with it are a *Bible class* and *infant school*. There is a weekly meeting of the teachers, at which the lesson for the ensuing Sunday is explained. The rector is deriving much aid in these labors from the Rev. Clement M. Butler, who is acting as his temporary assistant in the ministry, a comfort for which he is indebted to the ladies of his congregation.

Since the last report there have been added to the communion 41—Removed 25—Died 6—Dismissed 3—leaving the present number about 180—Marriages 35—Baptisms (infants 71, adults 5) 76—Funerals 26.

Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, Albany county; the REV. SAMUEL FULLER, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 3, infants 5) 8—Confirmed 8—Marriages 2—Communicants (added 7, removed 3, died 2) present number 50.

Collections:—

Education,	-	-	-	-	-	\$5 00
Missionary,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
Episcopal,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00

With the assistance of the Rev. William Morris, the church has been supplied regularly on Sundays, and with some extra services on other days. Although the congregation has suffered considerably by removal from the parish, the regular attendance has been about the same as last year. The Sunday school has not increased in number since last year; the children, however, of Episcopal families, have been regularly instructed in those books which have been prepared for

them, and in the Scriptures. The burden of sustaining the church falls heavily on a few individuals, who manifest a laudable zeal and activity in promoting Christian knowledge and piety.

St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga county; the REV. WILLIAM LUCAS, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 3, infants 15) 18—Marriages 8—Funerals 13—Communicants (added 24, died 2, removed 5) 119.

Collections:—

Sunday School Union,	-	-	-	-	\$ 53 25
Missionary,	-	-	-	-	110 56

It is gratifying to the rector to state, that this congregation are becoming sensible of the importance of the divine cause of missions, and are now evincing considerable interest in its success. A few months since the plan of the monthly offerings was introduced, and already it promises highly favorable results.

Since the last report all the services of the sanctuary have been unusually well attended, and there is ground for the belief that there exists a growing attachment to the institutions and ordinances of the Church, and an increasing seriousness of attention to those things which make for our everlasting peace. In all respects the state and prospects of the parish are highly encouraging.

St. Paul's Church, Aurora, Cayuga county; the REV. AMOS G. BALDWIN, Minister.

He has continued to perform divine service constantly in this church, and a third service in Lavanna, two miles north, every other Sunday. A few services have been performed in other places. He has seen the necessity of waiting in hope for an apparent blessing on his labors. The church has been recently gathered by his labors, a neat place of worship finished, and an instrument of music purchased. Few have yet come to the ordinances of the Church.

St. Paul's Church, Oxford, Chenango county; the REV. LEVERETT BUSH, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 4, children 5) 9—Communicants 57, added during the year 4—Marriages 7—Burials 6—Sunday scholars 40.

Collections:—

Missionary and Education Society,	-	-	-	\$15 25
Contribution for missionary purposes,	-	-	-	8 35
Contribution to the Bible and Prayer-book Society,	-	-	-	8 75

Christ Church, Hudson, Columbia county; the REV. ISAAC PARDEE, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 10, adults 2,) 12—Communicants (removed 6, died 1, added 11,) present number 98—Marriages 6—Funerals 8.

Collections:—

Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society,	-	-	\$40 0
New-York Education and Missionary Society:—			
Missionary branch,	-	-	35 00
Education branch,	-	-	15 00
New-York Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	-	10 00
Sunday school purposes,	-	-	17 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	5 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	10 50

The congregation have recently expended near a thousand dollars in repairing the church. The rector attends the Sunday school, and lectures to the children on every Sunday. He also catechises the children of the parish on the first

Sunday of the month after the second service. A lecture or Bible class during the week has been continued during the whole year. The services of the church have been well attended, and the prospects of the congregation continue to be favorable.

Calvary Church, Homer, Cortlandt county; the REV. CHARLES JONES, Rector.

This parish has, during the past year, been deprived of the faithful and efficient services of the Rev. Henry Gregory, who early in November last accepted an appointment as a teacher of the Menominee Indians.

The present incumbent, in the beginning of January, entered upon the duties of his station, and has the happiness to report the general prosperous state of his charge.

Notwithstanding the prejudice which still exists in this vicinity against the Protestant Episcopal Church, our congregations have been, on the average, much larger than they were at any former period. The Parish Association for the Promotion of Christianity still continues in active operation. Tracts have been distributed monthly among the members of the congregation. The Sunday school, though small, is in a flourishing condition. Teachers (male 5, female 5) 10—Scholars (male 19, female 29) whole number 48. In addition to the ordinary course of instruction, examinations in the Church Catechism have been frequent in the school; the children have also been publicly examined and instructed in the same catechism once every three months in the church.

Baptisms (adults 4, children 15) 19—Marriage 1—Burials 2—Communicants (removed 2, died 2, added 7,) present number 42.

The following sums have been raised in the parish for the objects specified, during the past year:—

By the Parish Association,	
For Sunday school books,	\$8 25
For Bible and Prayer-book Society, part for the purchase	
of Prayer-books, part as a donation,	8 38
For Tracts,	3 75
For the Education Society,	3 00
For the Missionary Society of the Diocese,	5 00
For the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society,	8 50

Collections:—

Toward liquidating the debt of the Bible and Prayer-	
book Society,	7 50
For the Diocesan Fund,	4 87½
For the Episcopal Fund,	4 29

\$53 54½

St. John's Church, Delhi, Delaware county; the REV. THOMAS S. JUDD, Minister.

The present minister took charge of this church in July 1835, and as no report was made at the last Diocesan Convention, the present will include the whole period since, (fifteen months.)

Number of families 47—New communicants 17, whole number of communicants 52—Baptisms (adults 6, infants 15,) 21—Sunday school teachers 10—scholars 50—Burials 3—Marriage 1.

St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, Dutchess county; the REV. KINGSTON GODDARD, Deacon, Minister.

The present minister entered upon his duties immediately after his ordination, in July last. Upon his being called to the rectorship of the parish it was separated from Trinity Church, Fishkill, Dutchess county. Since his connection with the parish he has preached twice on each Sunday, and superintended the

Sunday school morning and afternoon. During the week he has conducted two Bible classes. He has every thing to cheer and encourage him in his work. The parish library now numbers nearly 400 volumes; the Sunday school library about 200. The Sunday school has an average attendance of 100, and the infant school, under the charge of two ladies, about 30.

Since the connection of the present minister with the parish there have been, Baptism 1—Marriage 1—Funerals 0—Total number of Communicants 35.

None of the collections had been made when I entered upon the duties of the parish, but by a wish of the vestry they will be made, and devoted to their respective objects in a few weeks.

There has also been formed, under the charge of the vestry and rector, an Episcopal school, which has been placed under the care of a competent instructress.

St. James' Church, Hyde Park, Dutchess county; the Rev. RUBEN SHEERWOOD, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 2, infants 14) 16—Marriages 2—Funerals (of persons not belonging to the parish 5) 16—Communicants 41—Sunday school teachers 10—Scholars nearly 70—Average attendance about 40.

There are rising 20 candidates for confirmation.

Although this parish has been sadly afflicted during the last year in the loss of several of its most distinguished and willing supporters, still it is thought to be gradually increasing in numbers, strength, and godliness.

The rectory, a neat and commodious building, commenced the last year, has been completed; and although it has cost much more than was at first contemplated, yet it is believed, that by the generous exertions now making by a few individuals, the extra debt will be immediately paid.

The plan of systematic offerings has been attempted, and with some success. There has been contributed,

For the Missionary and Education Society,	-	-	\$58 00
For the Episcopal Fund,	-	-	13 50
For the Diocesan Fund,	-	-	12 00

And about \$130 for the poor, Sunday school, and library of the parish; also \$25 for Emanuel Church, Otego; and besides this a considerable sum contributed annually (amount not exactly ascertained) in aid of an infant school belonging to the parish.

The rector has also baptized five children in the town of Peekskill, Westchester county.

Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county; the Rev. JOHN REED, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms (adults 7, infants 27) 34—Marriages 21—Communicants about 200—Sunday scholars 100.

Collections:—

Missionary,	-	-	-	-	-	\$18 00
Episcopal,	-	-	-	-	-	14 00

The Female Association will send in their contributions to the Missionary and Education funds.

St. Paul's Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county; the Rev. FREDERICK W. HATCH, Rector.

The rector of this parish assumed its duties only in June last; since which time he has officiated generally in the court-house on Sunday mornings, and latterly every Sunday fortnight in the afternoon at Pleasant Valley, where the assemblage has been large, and apparently much interested in the services. He considers this latter place an important field of labor, which ought not to be neglected. The early organization of a parish here, and the building of a place of worship within a few months, are confidently anticipated.

The attendance at the court-house in this village is respectable, and the rector is encouraged to believe that when the church now commenced is completed, it will be well attended. Hindrances, uncontrollable, have very much retarded its progress, but we hope still to be able to occupy it this winter. The burden of the expense falls heavily on a few generous and enterprising individuals, but it is cheerfully borne. A Sunday school and Bible class have been organized under flattering prospects, the former numbering about 20, and the latter 15 members. The rector has not yet administered the communion; nor the ordinance of baptism.

A gentleman of the congregation has generously tendered an organ to the church when completed.

Zion Church, Wappinger's Creek, Dutchess county; the REV. GEORGE B. ANDREWS, Rector.

Since commencing services at Wappinger's Creek, July 14, 1833, I have officiated as follows:—

Marriages (Zion Church 6, in St. Peter's Parish, Lithgow, my former parish, 2) 8—Baptisms (Zion Church 11, St. Peter's, Lithgow 3) 14—Burials 18—Communion administered in St. Peter's Parish, Lithgow, to 28—Communicants Zion Church, Wappinger's Creek, 13.

The interests of Episcopacy in this last parish are steadily advancing; a Sunday school numbering about 70, with an average attendance of 50, prospers.

St. Paul's Church, Buffalo, Erie county; the REV. WILLIAM SHELTON, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 6, infants 42) 48—Confirmations 13—Marriages 19—Burials 10.

Collections:—

For Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$100 00
For Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	215 00
For Domestic Missions by Ladies' Society,	-	-	-	-	125 00
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					\$440 00

St. James' Church, Batavia, Genesee county; the REV. JAMES A. BOLLES, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 15, adults 2) 17—Communicants (added 11) 62—Funerals 10—Marriages 10.

Collections—Missions, - - - - \$34 00

The plan of "Sunday offerings" has been adopted in this parish, but during the past year we have been obliged to pay about \$12,000 to complete the erections of a new church and parsonage house, and consequently our "Sunday offerings" have been small. This must also be our apology for omitting the usual canonical collections.

In a temporal point of view, this parish is in a more flourishing condition than it ever before has been; and we have reason to believe that the services of the Church have been attended with the divine blessing.

St. Mark's Church, Le Roy, Genesee county; the REV. KENDRICK METCALF, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 15, adults 9) 24—Confirmations 28—Marriages 10—Communicants (added 29, removed 8, died 1) present number 80—Burials 8—Sunday scholars 65.

The plan of systematic charity recommended by the Bishop at the last Convention, was commenced in January. The result has exceeded our ex-

pectations. The "offerings of the Church" and other contributions have been as follows :—

To Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$50 00	-
To Education purposes,	-	-	-	-	32 00	
To Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	6 00	
To Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	6 00	
To New-York Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	-	-	-	5 00	
To New-York Bible and Common Prayer-book Society,	-	-	-	-	5 00	
For General Missions,—						
To the Treasury of the Domestic Committee,	-	-	-	-	42 50	
To the Treasury of the Foreign Committee,	-	-	-	-	35 50	

The Sunday school has contributed about \$20, in weekly offerings, to the cause of missions, and our church has been repaired at the expense of the congregation.

Trinity Church, Athens, Greene county; the REV. LEWIS THIBOU, jun., Rector.

Baptisms (all infants) 4—Communicants (added 8, removed 1, died 1) 77—Marriages 2—Funerals 3.

A Sunday school has been held during the summer. Average number of attendants about 160.

As no report from this parish appeared upon the Journal of last year, it is deemed proper to state that the church has, since it was last reported, been thoroughly repaired and painted. A rectory is in progress, for which nearly \$600 have been contributed by the Ladies' Sewing Society.

The contributions directed by the canons have been made.

St. Luke's Church, Catskill, Greene county; the REV. JOSEPH F. PHILLIPS, Rector.

This parish contains 58 families, comprising (with individual worshippers) about 280 persons. Since November last, (when the present rector was instituted,) there have been,

Baptisms (adults 6, children 20) 26—Marriages 2—Burials 9—Confirmations 17.

The number of Communicants (when the rector took charge of the parish 63, removed 3, added 19) 79.

Collections :—

For the Missionary and Education Fund,	-	-	-	\$18 36
For the Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	7 00
For the Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	4 25

There are two services on Sunday. On the Friday evenings of last winter lectures were read on the history, rubrics, offices, and doctrines of the Common Prayer-book. The festivals and fasts have all been commemorated by their proper services, and sermons have been preached on all the principal. During Lent, services on Wednesdays and Fridays; and during Passion Week, daily. Twice a month the rector meets his Sunday school teachers, to hear recitations, and give instruction in the evidences and principles of Christianity.

The Sunday school contains 97 pupils, a male and female superintendent, and 21 teachers. The school is under the special supervision of the rector, who appoints all the teachers, and prescribes and regulates the course of instruction. There is a library of about 200 volumes belonging to the school.

The Ladies' Missionary Society, some time extinct, is about to be revived.

St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, King's county; the REV. BENJAMIN C. CUTLER, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms (adults 4, infants 45) 49—Marriages 8—Deaths 29—Communicants

(added 31, died 8, removed 4,) 372—Confirmed 26—Sunday schools 2—Teachers 55—Scholars 480—Books in the library 1215 volumes.

These schools have come into connection with the Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union.

Although there have been three new churches formed partly by the members of this parish, yet the attendance upon public worship in St. Ann's Church has increased; the church is well filled, and from the attention paid to the preaching of God's word, there is a strong hope that many will be "added to the Church of such as shall be saved."

The spirit of liberality which God appears to have bestowed upon this parish, the rector is grateful to say, still continues to bring forth fruits. During the past year aid has been extended to the following objects, for most of which sermons have been preached:—

The Sunday schools of St. Ann's Church, - - -	\$457 00
The Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, - -	450 00
The Protestant Episcopal Education and Missionary Society, -	174 00
For education of pious youth for the Prot. E. Church, -	300 00
Diocesan Fund, - - - - -	27 00
For Illinois, - - - - -	150 00
For Missouri, (to Bishop Kemper,) - - - - -	1200 00
For other feeble churches in the West, - - - -	300 00
To Mrs. Hill, of Greece, a trunk of clothing made by the ladies, - - - - -	50 00
To Dr. Robertson, for the Syra mission, - - -	310 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, - - - -	89 00
Bible and Prayer-book Society, - - - - -	170 00
Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, - - -	1839 52

The monthly missionary meeting is well attended, and to that may be traced much of the willingness of the people to contribute to charitable objects. In this meeting the "Spirit of Missions" is read, and addresses made.

There is a female sewing circle which meets once in two weeks, to work for the education of pious youth in the Episcopal Church; and there are other benevolent associations to interest the younger members of the communion. A Bible class and lecture are held each once in two weeks.

St. John's Church, Brooklyn, King's county; the REV. EVAN M. JOHNSON, Rector; the REV. JACOB W. DILLER, Assistant Minister.

Marriages 50—Baptisms (adults 9, children 83) 92—Communicants (died 4, removed 11, added 40) total number 142—Sunday school teachers 21—Children 272.

Expense for school and library, - - - -	\$163 25
Diocesan Missionary Society, - - - - -	70 00
Domestic Missions, - - - - -	261 65
Female Benevolent Society, - - - - -	417 75

During the last year a new bell has been procured to replace the old, at an expense of \$400.

The congregation is increasing in numbers, and we hope in graces.

St. Paul's Free Church, Brooklyn; the REV. THOMAS S. BRITTAN, Rector.

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 15) 16—Communicants 54—Marriages 9—Funerals 6. Sunday school teachers (male 8, female 22) 30—Sunday school children, 354. The children of the Sunday school have contributed for Domestic Missions \$15—for Foreign Missions \$15.

Trinity Church, Brooklyn; the REV. DANIEL V. M. JOHNSON, Deacon, Minister.

In presenting the first report of this infant parish, we can but express our gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for his blessing, which has rested upon those

who have been instrumental in erecting in that destitute portion of this city, so neat and so beautiful an edifice. It originated with two or three laymen, whose labors have been unremitting, and the fruit of which they are now beholding in its increasing prosperity and usefulness. The parish was organized in March, 1835. The edifice, which is of stone, was commenced in June following, and completed and consecrated to the worship of ALMIGHTY GOD, in April last. Two services have been regularly performed, and much good seems evidently to be doing. I have established a Bible class which meets every Wednesday afternoon. The prospect of this becoming a large congregation in a few years, is most encouraging. The report will embrace the whole period since its organization.

Baptisms (infants) 9—Marriage 1—Funeral 1—Communicants (added since the consecration of the church 9—removed 3) 16.

There is also a Sunday school attached to the congregation, which was commenced in May last, which is particularly flourishing, considering that it is the second in the neighborhood. It numbers 80 scholars and 9 teachers; average attendance about 65. The ladies of the parish have formed an association for benevolent purposes, called, "The Ladies' Sewing Circle of Trinity Church, Brooklyn." By their labors they have constituted their pastor "a Life Member of the Protestant Episcopal Tract Society," and have also raised about \$70 towards furnishing the church with carpets. Owing to the peculiar embarrassments of this infant church, I have been compelled to omit the collections required by the Canons, but hope in future to be enabled to meet these requirements, and to respond to other calls which may be made.

For the Sunday school, and other purposes, there has been collected about \$100. Our numbers are few and feeble, but an interest in the great work of salvation is increasing, and a desire for usefulness seems to pervade our little band.

St. John's Church, Fort Hamilton, King's county; the REV. JAMES D. CORDER, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 2, children 5) 7—Confirmations 8—Communicants (added 10, removed 5) 12—Marriages 2—Burial 1.

The church is opened in the morning of each Lord's day for service, and in the afternoon for the instruction of a small Sunday school.

The rector does not reside in the parish.

Grace Church, Rochester; the REV. ORANGE CLARK, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 3, infants 8) 11—Marriages 7—Burials 16—Communicants (added 12) suspended 4—whole number (as nearly as I have been able to ascertain) 115.

Contributions as follows:—

Charitable education for the ministry,	.	.	.	\$50 00
Diocesan Fund,	.	.	.	10 00
Missionary Fund,	.	.	.	10 00
Education Fund,	.	.	.	10 00
Episcopal Fund,	.	.	.	10 00
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				\$90 00

The congregation is increasing, and our affairs are as prosperous as, under existing circumstances, could be expected. Our Sunday school, though not so prosperous as we should desire, is nevertheless doing well. It has never been interrupted since the church has existed. We have peace and harmony among ourselves, and the pecuniary embarrassment has been removed. There is evidently a determination on the part of the gentlemen of the congregation, generously and promptly to bear the burden of sustaining our Zion.

St. Luke's Church, Rochester; the REV. HENRY J. WHITEHOUSE, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms (adult 27, infant 85) 112—Marriages 26—Funerals 34—Communicants

(died 5, removed 10, added 93) present number 374—Bible and Catechetical Classes 2—Confirmed 75—Sunday school teachers 50, scholars 300.

Collections—Missionary :

Foreign Department,	\$226 25	
Domestic,	157 00	
Diocesan,	100 00	
Spirit of Missions,	50 00—	533 25
Education,		270 00
Building of Churches,		300 00
Episcopal Fund,		10 00
Diocesan Fund,		20 25
Charity school of St. Luke's Church,		250 00
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		\$1383 50

This parish continues in a state of great temporal and spiritual prosperity ; and the last year has been peculiarly marked by interest in the public services, and the number of conversions. All the persons confirmed, either were communicants, or have since become so.

The Bible Class is continued in connection with the Wednesday evening lecture. At present there are three services on the Lord's day.

The vestry, during the last month, have taken measures for the erection of a third Episcopal church in the northern portion of the city ; which, when finished, is to be connected with St. Luke's as a chapel, or established as a separate parish in communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church, as may appear best.

The congregation has two beneficiaries ; the one in the General Theological Seminary, the other at College.

All Saints' Church, New-York ; the REV. WILLIAM A. CLARK, D. D., Rector. The REV. REUBEN I. GERMAINE, Deacon, Assistant Minister.

The congregation of this church, as well as the number of communicants, has been considerably increased during the past year. The Sunday school has also been on the gain. The canonical collections have been made as usual, and together with them, others called for to aid in promoting the general interests of our Church have showed, that among the members of this congregation, a devotion to those interests, a love of her holy principles, apostolical practices and evangelical doctrines, are by no means abated.

The number of Communicants may be estimated at about 175—Baptisms 47—Marriages 35—Burials 4.

Church of the Ascension, New-York ; the REV. MANTON EASTBURN, D. D., Rector.

Communicants (removed 7, died 2, added 26) 275. Baptisms (infants 24, adults 2) 26—Marriages 22—Funerals 19.

Of the two subjects of adult baptism mentioned in this report, one was peculiarly interesting ; being a blind female, one of the pupils of the Asylum for the Blind, near this city. This is one of the fruits of the indefatigable exertions of several students in the General Theological Seminary, in endeavoring to impart spiritual blessings to the inmates of this institution, through the medium of a Sunday school. The rector has nothing further to state, excepting that he has reason to be thankful for the present condition of his parish. Though many are still dead to spiritual things, yet the number steadily though slowly increases, of those who are "seeking first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness."

Collections :—

Diocesan,	\$50 00
Missionary,	239 74
Education,	134 46

The above collections are in addition to various efforts of benevolence during the past year; in which the parish have shown their wonted liberality.

Christ Church, New-York; the REV. THOMAS LYELL, D. D., Rector.

The Rev. Aldert Smedes having resigned his situation as Assistant Minister in this parish, the rector is at present aided by the Rev. John W. Brown, Deacon.

The church has recently been thoroughly repaired at a large expense, and it is hoped that its spiritual condition is not wholly unprosperous.

Baptisms 57—Confirmation 42—Communicants about 200—Burials 20—Marriages 56.

Contributions have been made by the Association for the promotion of Christianity, to the different objects of benevolence aided by the Church.

Church of the Nativity, New-York; the REV. WILLIAM F. WALKER, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 38, adults 10) 48—Marriages 6—Communicants (added 33, died 1, expelled 1, removed 9) 74—Burials 15.

Collections—Diocesan,	\$2 00
Episcopal,	2 00
Missionary and Education,	10 00
Sunday School Union,	5 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	10 00
Auxiliary Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	10 00
Young Men's Education and Missionary Society,	5 00

In addition to the above, there have been raised and contributed to other objects, about \$1000.

This church has largely participated in the divine blessing since the last report. In point of numbers, our congregation and communion have steadily increased, while the work of grace has evidently been going on in many hearts.

The Sunday school has continued in operation with the success which has hitherto attended it. An accurate report of this cannot now be submitted, because of all our registers and other books having been totally consumed by the fire which, on the morning of the 24th ultimo, destroyed our chapel, and left us without a place for worship. It comprises, however, as nearly as can be ascertained, about 24 teachers, communicants, and 130 attending scholars. The parish and Sunday school libraries were consumed with the chapel. The "Ladies' Society" yet exists, and has received during the year, about \$300.

St. Andrew's Church, New-York; the REV. ABRAM B. HART, Rector.

Baptisms (infant) 9—Marriages 4—Funerals 2—Communicants (numbers varying with the seasons)—added 3, removed 4, died 1—about thirty.

Agreeably to canon, the collections have been made, as follows:—

For the Episcopal Fund,	\$5 45
Diocesan Fund,	10 25
Education Fund,	14 15
Missionary do.	12 00

Beside which sums, much larger appropriations have been made for the necessary improvement and comfort of the church.

By the constant piety of a lady, our organ is gratuitously sustained.

We regret to state that, either through deficiency of zeal, or peculiarity of circumstances, the Sunday school has been but ill supplied with catechists, and its numbers have, in consequence, diminished.

With some cause for humiliation, in surveying the general condition of our little flock, we have yet reason for gratitude to God, and are not without encouragement to continued effort in his holy cause.

St. Bartholomew's Church, New-York; the REV. CHARLES V. KELLY, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 4, infants 29) 26—Marriages 10—Deaths 7—Communicants (in November, 1835, 39, added since 34, removed 2) 71.

The collections in this church are not worthy of notice, in consequence of its recent organization, but the rector has every reason to hope that the various societies in connection with our Church will be well supported, and the small sum already collected, but too trivial to mention, be added thereto.

The children are catechised every Sunday afternoon by the rector, and early in November, he trusts, under the wise Providence of the great Head of the Church, to organize a Sunday school.

In the summer of last year the rector organized a congregation at Sampsondale, Haverstraw, Rockland county, which was not received into connection with the Church at the last Convention, owing to an informality in the acknowledgment of the certificate before the proper judge. In this place the rector baptized (adults 1, infants 28) 29.

St. Clement's Church, New-York; the REV. LEWIS P. BAYARD, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 4, infants 63) 67—Confirmation 1, in Christ Church—Communicants (removed 41, added 26, deceased 2) 216—Marriages 23—Burials 10.

Collections:—

For City Mission, after a sermon,	- - - -	\$37 35
For Foreign Missions, after a sermon by Agent,	- - - -	44 44
Sunday school contributions for Green Bay Mission,	- - - -	47 33
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Church Offerings from last January:—

For Education and Missionary Society,	- - - -	137 03
For General Missionary Society, for domestic use,	- - - -	40 00
For church at Locust Grove, North Carolina,	- - - -	40 00
For Church of the Nativity,	- - - -	5 00
For Calvary Church,	- - - -	5 00
For church at Hope, N. J.,	- - - -	2 50
For City Mission,	- - - -	10 10
For Protestant Episcopal Press,	- - - -	17 50
For General Sunday School Union,	- - - -	10 50
For Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	- - - -	5 00
For Protestant Episcopal Bible and Prayer-book Society,	- - - -	3 00
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		\$275 63

Total contributions to the societies,	- - - -	444 35
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This congregation has, in the course of the last summer, placed their church edifice in complete repair, at an expense of above \$600. The Sunday school continues its useful labors, but great detriment is suffered by this important institution, through the absence of so many teachers during the summer season.

By the kind liberality of Trinity Church, this parish has been delivered from the burden of a heavy debt.

St. George's Church, New-York; the REV. JAMES MILNOR, D. D., Rector.

Communicants (added 37, died and removed 41) present number 419—Baptisms 51—Marriages 42.

Contributions:—

For the Episcopal Fund no collection has been made this year.
For the Diocesan Fund, - - - 30 00

New-York Missionary and Education Society:—

Missionary department, - - - 200 00
Education department, - - - 100 00— 300 00
\$330 00

Besides various sums contributed to charitable and religious objects not immediately connected with the Protestant Episcopal Church, there were collected after sermon for the Greek mission, - - - 215 30
And after a sermon by the Secretary and General Agent of the Foreign Committee, - - - 420 94

The following sums have been appropriated and paid by the Association of St. George's Church, for the promotion of Christianity:—

To the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Greek missions, 300 00
For general purposes, - - - 300 00
To the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church for general purposes, 400 00
To the General Protestant Episcopal S. S. Union, - 100 00
To the Auxiliary New-York Bible and Prayer-book Society for Prayer-books, - - - 50 00
To the Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, - - - 50 00
For the education of young men for the ministry of the Protestant Episcopal Church, - - - 494 15
For the Sunday schools of St. George's Church, - 364 07— 2058 22
The subscription to a scholarship in the General Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church, has been since the last Convention completed by the collection of the balance of \$2000, - - - 858 13
Total contributions, - - - \$3682 59

Since the last Convention, the Rev. James W. Cooke has been elected by the vestry of St. George's, assistant to the rector during his life-time.

St. Mark's Church, New-York.

The churchwardens of the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Mark's, in the Bowery, in the city of New-York, (a vacant parish,) in pursuance of the 7th canon of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of New-York, report that their parish became vacant on the 10th day of May last, by the resignation of the rectorship of the Rev. Dr. Creighton. Since that period the Rev. Mr. Tullidge has been engaged for a portion of the time to officiate, and during the rest of the time the pulpit has been filled by several reverend gentlemen who have officiated at the request of the vestry.

The parish register exhibits the following statement:—

Internments from 1st October last to 10th of May, (the date on which the late rector discontinued his services,) 76—Do. from 10th May to 26th September 48—total 124. By far the larger portion of this number were individuals not belonging to the congregation.

Marriages from 1st October last to 10th May 11—Baptisms from 1st October last to 10th May (adults 4, infants 19) 23—do. since the 10th of May (infants) 14—total 37.

On 31st January last 16 persons were confirmed in the church, 11 of whom belonged to the congregation.

The register kept by the late rector does not contain a list of the number of communicants belonging to the congregation.

St. Michael's, St. James', and St. Mary's Churches, New-York ;
the REV. WILLIAM RICHMOND, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 5, infants 30) 35—Marriages 8—Burials 31—Communicants (removed 10, added 5) 73.

Collections:—

Episcopal,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$21 66
Diocesan,	.	.	.	.	.	.	22 00
Education,	.	.	.	.	.	.	21 63
Missionary,	.	.	.	.	.	.	21 63

The Rev. James Cook Richmond is the assistant minister of these churches, and officiates four times on every Sunday, and once during the week.

The usual service in the week has been continued for the congregation of St. Ann's Church, Fort Washington, and also the service on every Sunday evening at "the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane." A service in the week has also been commenced at the village of Yorkville.

In addition to his usual parochial report the rector sends the following:—

On the seventh Sunday after Trinity, (17th July last,) in accordance with the request of several members of our Church, and with the approbation of the Bishop, public worship was commenced in a hall at 410 Broadway, for an Episcopal free congregation. The principles on which it is designed to organize this church are fully set forth by the Bishop's letter, published in the Churchman of June, 1836. Since the commencement of the services there have been three every Sunday; the morning service by the Rev. J. F. Fish, and the other two by myself. They have been well, and I should judge, increasingly attended, and there has appeared to be an earnest zeal and devotion on the part of the plurality of the worshippers. I have never heard the responses so generally and heartily made in any other congregation. A number of communicants have already given in their names, and it is understood that there are more that intend to do so. A Sunday school has been formed, which has nineteen teachers and about sixty scholars. We have reason to believe that the present work has been blessed, and that good evidence has been given of a happy change in the spiritual state of some who are attached to the church. It is to be hoped that by means of this congregation, most of the members of which have access to the very heart of the population of this city, many classes of persons not now belonging to the Episcopal Church may be gathered into its fold, induced to seek spiritual food from its pastors, and saved through the merits of CHRIST.

At the administration of the communion 61 persons presented themselves; 15 more are on register, in all 76.

The Rev. Mr. Bull is engaged for the morning service.

The ladies have presented to Rev. Dr. Robertson, missionary to Syra, Greece, a gown, cost \$22 00.

Collections for the Greek mission, . . . \$36 75

We have purchased an organ, and the necessary books for the use of the congregation and Sunday school.

There have been two adults baptized, and one of them was confirmed at St. James' Church.

St. Peter's Church, New-York ; the REV. HUGH SMITH, Rector.

The present rector took charge of this parish on the 1st of March last; since which he reports,—

The number of Funerals attended to have been 7—Marriages solemnized 8—Baptisms (1 adult, children 15) 16—The number of Communicants added, (among which are two students of the General Theological Seminary,) 20.

No list of communicants having been furnished, the present number cannot be accurately stated, but it may be probably stated, students included, at 100.

The attendance upon the services of the Church has largely increased, and the demand for pews was greater than could be met, with the limited accommodations of the present chapel. In consequence of this evident necessity for more ample

accommodations, arrangements were made during the present year for the erection of a new edifice.

On the 29th of June last, being the Festival of St. Peter, the corner-stone of the new church of St. Peter's was laid by the Bishop of the Diocese, in the presence of several of the bishops and many of the clergy of the Church, then in attendance upon the examination of the students of the General Theological Seminary. The rector is happy to state, that the erection of the building then founded is proceeding with much spirit and rapidity. From the enlarged accommodations it will afford to the rapidly increasing population of the neighborhood, the best results are anticipated to the prosperity of this rising parish.

In the prosecution of this good work, thus far, many gratifying instances of individual liberality, on the part of the vestry, and those most immediately concerned, have been elicited; but in this laudable attempt to provide for the wants of the Church in a section of the city where its services are so much needed, it is trusted that they will not be left to their own unaided resources, but will find a generous co-operation on the part of their brethren of the Church.

Shortly after the present rector entered upon his duties, the Episcopal Sunday school of the vicinity, which had been organized and conducted under the auspices of students and others connected with the General Theological Seminary, and had been known as Sunday School No. 1 of the Seminary, was, by a voluntary and unanimous act on the part of its conductors, placed under the control of the rector of St. Peter's, and is now the regular Sunday school of the Parish of St. Peter's. The rector is, however, happy still to acknowledge his indebtedness to the members of the Seminary, in connection with others of the parish, for the means of its being successfully conducted.

The number of teachers is 25—Scholars on the register 287—Volumes in the library 272.

The school being situated in a neighborhood where large numbers of the poor are resident, may be expected, by the divine blessing, to exert an extensive and salutary influence. A system of visitation is prosecuted, by which every family within certain limits is visited monthly. The Bible and Prayer-book are furnished to such as need them, and tracts are regularly distributed by the teachers in their progress through their respective districts.

St. Thomas' Church, New-York; the REV. FRANCIS L. HAWKS, D. D., Rector.

I have been absent in Europe during a part of the last ecclesiastical year, on business of the Church in the United States. The following is a statement of clerical acts in my parish, performed either by myself, or by those who officiated for me during my absence.

Baptisms (adult 3, infant 77) 80—Marriages 16—Funerals 7—Communicants (added 3, died 1, removed 0) 270. Sunday schools: pupils 1400, teachers 80.

Collections have been made pursuant to the canon, for the Diocesan and Episcopal Funds. Also, for the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese, as well as for divers other purposes, general and special, amounting in all to several thousand dollars.

Trinity Church, including St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels, New-York; the REV. WILLIAM BERRIAN, D. D., Rector. The REV. JOHN F. SCHROEDER, D. D., the REV. HENRY ANTHON, D. D., Assistant Ministers.

Baptisms 145—Marriages 95—Persons Confirmed (at Trinity 24: St. Paul's 34: St. John's 22) 80—Funerals (adults 241, children 300) 541—Communicants about 800.

Collections for the Missionary Branch of the Education and Missionary Society of New-York:	Trinity,	\$143 8
	St. Paul's,	109 55
	St. John's,	101 52
Collections for the Episcopal Fund, Trinity,		75 93½
by the Female Education and Missionary Association of St. Paul's Chapel, for the Missionary Branch,		69 00
of St. John's Chapel, for the Missionary Branch,		86 00

Collection by the Education Committee of St. John's Chapel, for the Missionary Branch,	\$32 62
Education Society of the Parish of Trinity Church :	
Trinity,	\$300 00
St. Paul's,	300 00
St. John's,	31 00
Female Association of St. Paul's, for Education purposes,	21 00
Contributions of individuals to the Education and Missionary Society,	679 00
Trinity Church Scholarships,	600 00
For the Domestic Branch of the General Missionary Society :	
June 12, St. John's,	173 38
July 3, St. John's,	360 35
For the Foreign Branch of do., St. Paul's,	203 00
Young Men's Auxiliary Education and Missionary Society :	
St. Paul's,	124 00
St. John's,	158 00
City Mission :	
Trinity,	109 25
St. Paul's,	151 98
St. John's,	83 35
New-York Auxiliary Bible and Common Prayer Book Society :	
Trinity,	108 10
St. Paul's,	127 74

Zion Church, New-York ; the REV. THOMAS BREINTNALL, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 5, infants 51) 56—Communicants about 200.

Collections :—

Missionary,	\$63 75
Diocesan,	18 00

St. Stephen's Church, New-Hartford, Oneida county ; the REV. CHARLES WILLIAM BRADLEY, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 4, infants 16) 20—Communicants (added 10, removed 1) 45—
Marriages 6—Burials 1—Sunday scholars 52, teachers 9.

Collections :—

Episcopal,	\$7 75
Diocesan,	7 50

The plan of systematic charity, in monthly offerings, was introduced in January, though it has not yet been generally embraced by the people. Of the moneys thus raised, and not specifically applied by the donors, no appropriation has been made.

The Rev. Parker Adams resigned the rectorship of this church on the 5th of September, 1834, and the present incumbent, as successor, entered on the discharge of his duties on the first Sunday in Advent, 1835. In the interim, the parish having no settled minister, was supplied only with the occasional services of clergymen as they could be obtained. Owing to this deprivation of pastoral superintendence, both its numerical strength and the spiritual prosperity of the church had manifestly declined. Through the blessing of the Great Head of the Church, they are now, however, it is believed, improving.

For several months past, I have also officiated once a fortnight, on Sunday evening, in the Methodist Chapel, in the village of Hampton, Westmoreland.

Trinity Church, Utica ; the REV. PIERRE A. PROAL, Rector.

The present rector was elected to this parish in January last. Circumstances, however, over which I had no control, prevented me from entering fully upon the duties of my office until the month of May.

It is with gratitude to the Divine Head of the Church, and in a humble sense of

my own unworthiness, that I acknowledge, in this public manner, the many kindnesses and tender sympathies, under the various vicissitudes of human life, which attended, and made happy, my residence for so long a period in my former cure; and the affecting tokens of confidence and regret, from all classes in that community, which awaited my removal. Nothing short of the higher claims of duty, in a more extensive sphere, could have prevailed for the disruption of the tenderest ties which can bind the Christian pastor to an affectionate and indulgent people.

I owe it, likewise, to the cordial reception and Christian courtesy with which I have been so unanimously welcomed by the people of my present charge—and a more flattering and affectionate greeting no pastor need desire—to add, that in their considerate attentions, and kind hospitalities, I have found ample recompense for the painful trial of a previous separation. From these also I derive a pledge and assurance of courtesies as tender, and sympathies as affectionate, and co-operation as zealous, as can fall to the lot of man.

These manifestations of divine favor, and stirring tokens of confidence and regard, from the people of my charge, call, in humble reliance on the influences of the HOLY SPIRIT, for renewed devotion of myself, in the consecration of the best powers of body and mind to the cause of CHRIST and his Church, and the immortal interests of the souls committed to my charge.

In the discharge of official duty, my attention was at an early period devoted to the organization of the benevolent operations of the parish on the plan of systematic charity. A pastoral letter was addressed to every member of the congregation, entreating the co-operation of each individual in the measure of Christian offerings upon the apostolic model. It has been responded to in a spirit of liberality which promises the happiest results to the Church and its institutions. It may be proper to state in this place, that, at the request of the congregation, an assurance was given—not that there should be no other collections—but that there should be no *additional* collections for the objects to which Christian offerings are to be applied, than those on the plan of systematic charity. The rector yielded to this solicitation the more readily, on the ground, that if this plan be carried into effect so that each individual contributes according to the ability which God giveth, there can be no room for special collections for the same objects.

The obligations of the Christian pastor to the young members of the fold claimed my assiduous care. As soon as practicable, a course of religious instruction for the parish was drawn up, and recommended to the congregation, embracing a regular system of pious culture from the earliest period of youth, through successive grades of advancement, to mature years. This course includes the Sunday school, and extends to two higher classes under the immediate charge of the rector. As far as we have yet been able to bring the system into operation, it promises to answer very successfully the purpose for which it was designed. My attendance is regularly given to the Sunday school, at each of its two sessions on every Sunday. On each occasion, after the use of the responsive part of the Church service as a general exercise, I address the scholars on some point of catechetical or other illustrations. The monthly catechising of the children openly before the congregation, with a familiar lecture on the Catechism, is continued, as has been my practice for several years. It is attended with much interest, and I trust with no small share of usefulness.

Under the prescribed course of instruction, the Sunday school is increasing in numbers and zeal. A commodious building has been erected during the summer on the church lot, for its use and as a chapel, the funds for which were chiefly procured by the ladies of the congregation. I feel under great obligations to the worthy superintendent and teachers, for their kind and courteous co-operation, and the zeal with which they have seconded my efforts to enhance the usefulness of this important institution. The library is ascertained to number about 350 volumes. A liberal donation from one of the teachers will enable us materially to increase it.

By the blessing from on high, I am enabled to rejoice in the success which has thus far attended my labors in this interesting portion of the Lord's vineyard. The congregation has steadily increased in number, and I trust that it has likewise progressed in zeal and piety.

The statistics of the parish are as follows:—

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 22) 23—Marriages 7—Deaths 8—Confirmed 20—Communicants (added 31, died 3, removed 24)—present number in the parish 150

Contributions :—

Episcopal Fund,	\$15 42
Diocesan Fund,	15 00
Education and Missionary Society,	100 00
Foreign Missions,	100 00
Mrs. Hill's school, by the children of Sunday school,	3 81
New-York Auxiliary Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	102 25
Support of Sunday school,	57 21
Chapel furniture and Sunday school library,	61 00
To the Rev. John Hall, for the erection of a church in Unionville, Ohio,	47 00
To the Rev. Mr. Norwood, for the Episcopal school of North-Carolina,	100 00
New-York Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	25 00
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	\$626 69

In addition to the preceding sums, donations were obtained by "the Secretary and General Agent of the Domestic Committee," in aid of the funds for Domestic Missions, the precise amount of which I am not able to state, as no communication was made on the subject to the rector. The amount is supposed to be above \$100; which makes the contributions of this parish for the last five months, about \$727 69.

Christ Church, Manlius, and Trinity Church, Fayetteville, Onondaga county; the Rev. JESSE POUND, Rector.

The present incumbent assumed the charge of these parishes, immediately after the last Convention: and it is a source of unfeigned gratitude, to be enabled to say, they are both in a healthy condition.

The congregation of Christ Church, Manlius, has not only increased in numbers, and, as is hoped, in spirituality, but also, in its attachment to our excellent liturgy and rites. Its increased interest and devotedness is further seen in the fact, that from henceforth they secure to themselves the entire services of their pastor; and are ready to further all the benevolent operations of the Church to the extent of their ability.

During the past year, a Christian Benevolence Society has gone into successful operation, on the principle of monthly contributions, received on the first Monday in every month, at the houses of the contributors, by collectors appointed for the purpose.

The Ladies' Sewing Society has furnished a box of useful articles to the Green-Bay Missions, (which has not been acknowledged,) valued at \$30; a set of books for the desk and chancel, at an expense of \$34; and the Sunday school with books to the amount of \$10.

Collections :—

Bible and Prayer Book Society of the Diocese,	\$5 00
Diocesan Missionary Society,	10 00
Diocesan Fund,	5 60
Making a total of \$94 60.	

We have suffered by deaths and removals. We have now about 100 Communicants. There have been 7 Confirmed—7 Baptisms—4 Marriages, and 4 Burials.

Trinity Church, Fayetteville.

This parish is also doing well. It has lost some valuable families by removal, in the last year.

The Communicants are about 30. There have been 6 Confirmed—3 Baptisms—4 Marriages, and 1 Burial.

Collected for the Diocesan Missionary Society, \$4 00

St. James' Church, Goshen, Orange county; the REV. JAMES P. F. CLARKE, Rector.

Baptisms (infants) 6—Marriages 2—Funerals 6—Communicants (added 7, died 0, removed 5) present number 30.

The congregation consists of 103 adults. The Sunday school, which has been temporarily discontinued, will soon be recommenced. Number of scholars 38. The parish library comprises 130 volumes, and the Sunday school library 93. The ladies of the congregation continue their valuable services with unwearied spirit, and with good success. They have had the satisfaction to contribute in aid of the church, several hundred dollars,—the fruits of their well-employed leisure hours.

Contributions:—

Episcopal,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$8 00
Diocesan,	.	.	.	.	.	.	7 50
Education,	.	.	.	.	.	.	4 50
Missionary,	.	.	.	.	.	.	15 00

St. George's Church, Newburgh, and St. Thomas' Church, New-Windsor, Orange county; the REV. JOHN BROWN, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 4, children 19) 23—Marriages 11—Deaths 26—Communicants (added 7, died 3) present number 97.

Collections:—

Episcopal,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$12 25
Diocesan,	.	.	.	.	.	.	9 00
Missionary,	.	.	.	.	.	.	14 00

St. Andrew's Church, Walden, Orange county; the REV. ROBERT SHAW, Minister.

I took charge of this parish on the fourth Sunday in May. Since the last report there have been,—

Baptisms (Infants) 10—Marriages 3—Deaths 3—Communicants (added 7, removed 4, died 1) 42.

Collections:—

Episcopal,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$3 25
Diocesan,	.	.	.	.	.	.	4 00
Missionary,	.	.	.	.	.	.	4 00

Christ Church, Oswego, Oswego county; the REV. JOHN McCARTY, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 39, adults 6) 45—Marriages 13—Communicants (died 2, removed 3, added 10) 96—Confirmed 41. Sunday school on the west side of the river, teachers 8, scholars about 60.

The plan of monthly offerings of the church, has been tried since the month of February, with a result so favorable as to produce a very general conviction of its superiority to every other method of raising money for religious purposes: the average amount collected each month, has been \$23 32—total, \$209 00. A special collection, in addition, has been made to the funds of our Sunday School Union of \$180; of which the Ladies' Sewing Society gave \$10: this society has also given \$30 toward the parish library, making together the sum of \$419. This amount has been appropriated as follows:—

Diocesan Missionary department,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$38 28
Education,	.	.	.	.	.	.	16 00
General, for Domestic Missions,	.	.	.	.	.	.	16 33
Foreign,	.	.	.	.	.	.	21 04
Central Bible and Prayer Book Society,	.	.	.	.	.	.	28 00
Missionary at Constantia,	.	.	.	.	.	.	25 00
Paid for Bibles, Prayer-books, and Tracts,	.	.	.	.	.	.	9 94
Diocesan Fund,	.	.	.	.	.	.	11 25
Parish Library,	.	.	.	.	.	.	72 37

The congregation have agreed to pay \$50 a year toward the support of the Missionary at Constantia. The Wednesday evening lecture has been delivered during the season of Lent, and the adult Bible Class held every Sunday evening during the greater part of the year. The congregation have steadily increased in numbers during the year.

Zion Church, Louisville, Otsego county; the REV. ORSAMUS H. SMITH, Rector.

Baptisms (infants) 8—Marriages 8—Funerals 5—Communicants (died 3, added 7) about 140—Sunday scholars about 70, under 20 teachers.

Collections:—

Education Department,	\$6 00
Diocesan Missions,	6 47
Diocesan Fund,	4 50
Foreign Missions,	19 34
Domestic Missions,	19 94
Bible and Prayer-book Society, of the central part of the State,	10 00
Church at Otego,	35 00

St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, Otsego county; and St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenango county; the REV. NORMAN H. ADAMS, Rector.

Baptisms at Unadilla, (infants) 3—Marriages 3—Funerals 2—Communicants about 100.

Collections:—

Episcopal Fund,	\$1 50
Female Missionary Society:	
For annual subscription, \$14 75; Collection after sermon } before the Society, \$10 25,	25 00

At Bainbridge, Baptisms (adults 3, infants 2) 5—Marriage 1—Funerals 2—Communicants 35. Owing to the situation of the parish, no collections were made.

St. Philip's Church, Phillipstown, Putnam county; the REV. HENRY L. STORRS, Deacon, Minister.

I preach once every Sunday at Phillipstown. I also preach every Sunday afternoon at Cold Spring, a village three miles from Phillipstown, where it is confidently hoped, under the Divine blessing, a church will soon be organized. I have been so short a time here, that it has not been in my power to ascertain as yet much in relation to the state of religion and the church. There is every reason however to expect that a faithful discharge of ministerial duty will advance true piety. A Sunday school has already been formed in St. Philip's Church, which is very well attended, and, as has ever been the case, will be the means of disseminating much valuable religious instruction amongst not only the children, but also all the members of the parish.

Christ Church, Cow Neck, and St. Mary's Church, Hempstead Harbor, Queen's county; the REV. MOSES MARCUS, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 12, infants 8) 20—Marriages 2—Burials 10—Communicants (added 5) 50.

Collections:—

Episcopal,	10 00
Diocesan,	8 00
Missionary,	13 12½

It affords me much pleasure to be able to report favorably upon the present condition of the parish of Christ Church, to which I was appointed in November.

During the past year, in addition to the sums already reported, between \$900 and \$1000 have been collected, and in part expended upon the repairs of the church, parsonage house and premises; of which sum the ladies of the congrega-

tion, with a zeal which is worthy of imitation, and deserves to be had in remembrance, have raised nearly \$600. The interior of the church has been painted, blinds have been affixed to the windows, the altar, reading desk, and pulpit have been supplied with new and appropriate furniture, books, &c.; the aisles are about to be carpeted, and stoves purchased for heating the church. Mr. Lewis S. Hewlett, with his accustomed liberality and good feeling toward the church, has recently presented the churchwardens and vestry with a fine-toned bell of the value of \$150. The steeple has been completed at considerable expense, and the bell has been hung. A horse and carriage shed is about to be erected, which will cost at least \$300, toward which \$150 are subscribed; and about \$200, not included in the foregoing sum, have also been subscribed, and will be forthcoming so soon as the remainder can be obtained, toward the purchase of an organ; so that before another meeting of the Convention, the interior and exterior of the church, parsonage house and premises, will, no doubt, present as favorable a criterion of the outward state of things in this parish as the most devoted Churchman can desire.

Of my parochial labors I can only express my regret that I have not been able to do more. Until July, when I resigned the charge of St. Paul's Church, Glen Cove, I preached three times on the Lord's day, and occasionally at funerals. During the winter season also I performed divine service generally once a week in some of the more remote parts of the parish; and these missionary labors, as I may call them, I consider of essential importance to the prosperity of our Church: for on the bay side of Cow Neck, persons, I have learned, were present, who seldom or never had attended religious worship.

Whilst I was rector of St. Paul's Church, Glen Cove, I administered the sacrament of the Lord's supper *twice*—at no preceding period of time had it been celebrated in this church; and there were THREE communicants.

On the first Sunday in the new year I opened an evening lecture at Hempstead Harbor, a populous and rapidly increasing manufacturing village; and I have continued to preach there ever since. On the 26th of April a religious society was incorporated under the style or title of St. Mary's Church; and on the 3d of May the corner-stone of a church, to be so called, was laid by the Bishop of the Diocese. The building has been retarded on account of the rise in the price of building materials, and the difficulty of obtaining suitable workmen; but I have reason to believe the work *will* proceed in the early part of the spring, and that a church will be erected in this very romantic and interesting village. The class of persons for whose benefit this church has been principally designed is that of industrious mechanics, who have neither the opportunity nor the means of conveyance to go to church far away from their homes and their families, and who need our consideration. I contemplate the formation of a Sunday school, as a very powerful auxiliary.

I have only to subjoin, that I have advocated the cause of missions and the growing interests of the Church generally in this parish, and that though our returns are but small, I trust they will be larger another year. To me it is a source of thankfulness to know, that a spirit of activity and improvement has been awakened among my people, which may ultimately lead to the most gratifying results.

St. George's Church, Flushing, Queen's county; the REV. ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, Rector.

Baptisms (infants) 10—Marriages 4—Funerals 10—Communicants (removed 3, added 17) 103.

Collections:—

For the Diocesan Fund,	\$ 11 00
For the Episcopal Fund,	15 82
For Domestic Missions, after a sermon by the Rev. Benjamin Dorr,	200 01
Contribution by the Female Education and Missionary Society of the Church to the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	351 65
Missionary Box of the Sunday school for Green Bay mission,	3 50

The vestry are now engaged in removing and repairing the Sunday school building belonging to the church, at an expense of about \$900, toward which the late rector gave, as a parting token of his good will to the congregation, the sum of \$300.

There are two Sunday schools connected with the church. No. 1, Teachers 15—Scholars 80—Library books about 300. No. 2, Teachers 8—Scholars 45—Library books about 100.

Divine service and a weekly lecture is held in the church every Thursday evening, and through the summer another lecture for a distant portion of the parish has been held on Tuesday evening.

The rector has been gratified by the full and regular attendance of the congregation on the public services of the Church, and would recognize in the solemnity and serious attention which mark the worship of the Church, and the readiness of the public to encourage his labors and further every good work, a token of spiritual good, and a pledge of that for which end all the means of grace have been appointed, "the edifying of the body of CHRIST."

St. George's Church, Hempstead, Queen's county; the REV. WILLIAM M. CARMICHAEL, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 4, children 18) 22—Burials (adults 10, children 6, communicants 2) 18—Marriages 6—Communicants (added 7) whole number 130—Sunday school pupils 50—Teachers 12.

Collections:—

Sunday School,	\$10 75
Diocesan Fund,	7 28
Episcopal Fund,	19 54
Diocesan Missionary and Education Society, for missionary department,	61 41
Donation from the Female Education and Missionary Society of St. George's Church to the Education and Missionary Society of New-York,	165 00
To Sunday school of St. George's Church, for the library,	50 00

Trinity Chapel, Rockaway, mentioned in the last report as being in progress, is now nearly completed, and will soon be ready for consecration.

Grace Church, Jamaica, Queen's county; the REV. WILLIAM L. JOHNSON, Rector; the REV. NATHANIEL P. KNAPP, Deacon, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms (infants) 5—Communicants (died 3, removed 4, added 4) 76—Burials (not of the congregation 4) 18.

Collection for Missionary Fund, \$21 65

In consequence of the loss of voice, the rector has not been able to perform divine service since November last. The church has, however, been regularly supplied, and the congregation was perhaps never more flourishing than at the present time.

Zion Church, Little Neck, Queen's county; the REV. ELI WHEELER, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 2, children 7) 9—Marriages 9—Funerals 4—Communicants 28.

Collection for Missionary Fund, \$9 00

St. James' Church, Newtown, and St. George's Church, Hallett's Cove, Queen's county; the REV. GEORGE A. SHELTON, Rector.

St. James'.—The state of the parish is much the same as it has been. The

Bible class and Sunday school continue to be attended with the usual interest. The number of families is about 30.

Communicants (added 2, died 2, suspended 1) 40—Baptisms 4—Marriages 4—Funerals 2.

Collections :—

For the Bible and Common Prayer-book Society,	\$21 00
For Missionary Society of this Diocese,	42 33
By the Female Missionary Sewing Society,	55 00

The monthly offering system has been adopted with good success. From this source something more than \$100 may be calculated upon for the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, making in the whole about \$200 a-year, an increase of more than \$100 a-year.

St. George's.—This congregation continues to increase and flourish. Measures have been taken to have the church open for morning service, as well as in the afternoon. The Rev. John W. Brown is now officiating there in the morning with a good degree of success.

The number of families is now about 30—Communicants (received 7) 28.

Collection for the Missionary Society of this Diocese,	\$8 60
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Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county; the REV. PHINEAS L. WHIPPLE, Rector.

Baptisms (infants) 11—Marriages 8—Deaths 11—Communicants (added 1, died 1) 53—Sunday school teachers 8—Scholars about 40.

Contributions :—

Diocesan Missionary Society,	\$25 00
Diocesan Education Society,	5 00
Bible and Prayer-book Society,	5 00
Tract Society,	3 00
Diocesan Fund,	9 00
General Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society,	10 00
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St. Paul's Church, Troy, Rensselaer county; the REV. ISAAC PECK, Rector.

Baptisms 45—Marriages 40—Funerals 43—Communicants (added 19, removed 17) whole number 210.

Collections :—

General Missionary Society,	\$599 08
Diocesan Missions,	170 00
Miscellaneous,	646 25

There is no material alteration in the general state of this parish since the last report. During more than six months of the year I have not been able to pay the usual attention to its interest, in consequence of hoarseness of voice. From this, however, I have recovered, I hope, permanently.

St. Andrew's Church, Richmond, Richmond county; the REV. DAVID MOORE, Rector.

Baptisms 40—Funerals 16—Marriages 10.

The number of communicants is the same as at the last report, excepting about 30, who have attached themselves to the newly organized and interesting parish of St. Paul's, Tompkinsville.

The rector begs leave to state in relation to the ordinary collections of the Diocese, that on account of the extensive repairs which the parish church is undergoing, and the want of a capacious edifice in which to hold worship, we have thought proper to postpone them until the completion of the building.

St. Paul's Church, Tompkinsville, Richmond county; the Rev. WILLIAM H. WALTER, Rector.

Families 59—Baptisms (adults 1, children 19) 20—Marriages 4—Burials 9—Communicants (added 15, 13 of these by removal into the place) total 37—Sunday school teachers 19—Scholars 113, with an average attendance of 80.

It is now just one year since the present rector entered on this cure. During that period he has been permitted to witness many encouraging evidences of prosperity. The congregation has been constantly growing, and the pews of the neat and newly-erected church are now nearly all taken. Of these a sufficient number has been sold to liquidate the whole debt of the church; and also to complete the basement room, erect a tower, and accomplish other needful objects relating to the building and the adjacent grounds, all which are now in progress. It is understood that through the kind offices of a friend in the city, a bell may be expected so soon as the tower shall be ready for its reception. The Sunday school is flourishing in numbers, and still more, it is believed, in the affections and improvement of the children, and in the zeal and faithfulness of the teachers. Its library has been more than doubled, and now contains 300 volumes. A parish library has also been commenced, and affords already abundant promise of growth and usefulness. It numbers at present 150 volumes. A meeting of the teachers, conducted by the rector, for business and for Biblical instruction, preparatory to the exercises of the school, is held weekly "from house to house." Once in six weeks, on communion-day, the scholars and children of the congregation are examined, as the rubric requires, "openly in the church, in some part of the Catechism," and then follows a lecture in course upon that excellent formulary. In the promotion of the objects, and the supply of the wants of the Sunday school, as well as of the Church in general, this parish gratefully owns its obligations to those important beneficent institutions, the New-York Protestant Episcopal Tract and New-York Bible and Prayer-book Societies. Their sense of this indebtedness, the rector is confident, his people will shortly evince in substantial acts.

A handsome monument of white marble has been erected by the vestry in the cemetery of St. Andrew's Church, Richmond, over the grave of the present incumbent's lamented predecessor, the Rev. William P. Curtis.

Collections:—

Episcopal Fund,	. . . . .	\$ 5 00
Diocesan Fund,	. . . . .	5 00
Education Society,	. . . . .	5 00
Missionary Society,	. . . . .	5 00
General Sunday School Union, after a sermon by its Secretary and Agent,	. . . . .	100 00

In addition to these sums, \$50 have been contributed to our own Sunday school, and \$530, the nett proceeds of a fair, have been expended under the direction of its zealous projectors, the Ladies' Benevolent Society, in furnishing the church, and on its basement room.

In concluding his report, the rector would acknowledge with unfeigned thankfulness, the large measure of prosperity in its external state, with which it hath pleased ALMIGHTY GOD to reward and bless this infant church. That the recipients of this goodness may render the acceptable return, not only as heretofore, of willing and liberal outward effort in behalf of the Church of the Redeemer, but also of that which they yet too generally withhold, devoted hearts and obedient lives, is the fervent prayer, as it will be, by God's help, the earnest endeavor of their pastor.

St. James' Church, Milton, Saratoga county; the Rev. CHARLES M'CABE, Rector.

The rector reports, that owing to protracted physical debility, he has been almost entirely prevented from performing ministerial duty for the past year.

Christ Church, Duaneburgh, Schenectady county; the Rev. WM. B. THOMAS, Rector.

Baptisms 5—Marriages 3—Deaths 2—Communicants (died 1, added 1) present number 24.

Collections:—

Diocesan,	.	.	.	.	.	\$7 50
Education,	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
Missionary,	.	.	.	.	.	13 29

St. George's Church, Schenectady; the Rev. ALDERT SMEDES, Rector.

The present rector entered on the charge of the parish in July last. It was left vacant in May by the resignation of the Rev. P. A. Proal.

During the vacancy of the rectorship, the parish was supplied with the regular ministrations by the Rev. Professors Potter and Reed of Union College; for which and for many other kindnesses, it is very greatly indebted to those gentlemen.

The following are the statistics of the parish for the year past.

Baptisms (4 adults, 14 infants) 18—Confirmed 33—Married 8—Buried 5—Communicants (13 removed, 1 dead, 19 added) 87.

Contributions have been made to the Tract and Sunday school operations, and to Diocesan, Domestic, and Foreign Missions. The precise amount is not known to the present rector. In concluding his report, the rector cannot but make grateful mention of the kindness he has received from his parish during his brief connection with it, and express the hope that it may be auspicious of a useful and happy discharge of his duties in it.

St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county; the Rev. WILLIAM BARSTOW, Rector.

Baptisms 23—Marriages 3—Deaths 10—Communicants (added 5) present number 64. Sunday School: teachers 15, scholars about 70.

The present rector took charge in January of the present year. The parsonage has been finished, and out-buildings erected at considerable expense. The church has been newly and handsomely dressed at the expense of the Ladies' Sewing Society; a contribution has been made to the P. E. Sunday School Union, of \$187. The church is, on the whole, prosperous.

St. John's Church, Ithaca, Tompkins County; the Rev. FRANCIS T. TODRIE, Rector.

Burials 1—Communicants 36.

From unavoidable circumstances, the usual collections have not been made.

The rector having been, for a part of the year, in charge of St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, Onondaga county, reports for that parish as follows:—

Baptisms, 1 adult—Marriages 3—Burials 3—Confirmations 9—Communicants 50.

Trinity Church, Ulster, Ulster county; and St. Paul's Church, Red Hook, Dutchess county; the Rev. CICERO J. HAWKS, Rector.

Trinity Church, Ulster.—Baptisms 33—Confirmed 3—Marriages 4—Burials 16—Communicants (added 4, died 1, removed 12) 25.

Sunday School: teachers 8, children 110. Libraries: Parish Library containing 131 volumes; Sunday School Library 200.

Canonical contributions all made:—

Education and Missionary Society,	.	.	.	\$16 68
Episcopal Fund,	.	.	.	2 77
Diocesan Fund,	.	.	.	10 00

Beside these collections, there have been collected for various purposes during the past year in this parish, nearly the sum of 400 dollars.

St. Paul's Church, Red Hook.—The present rector took charge of this parish

in the latter part of May last, and found it in a sad condition. The congregation had long been deprived of *regular* church services, and the church edifice was much out of repair. The parish register could give no history of the parish, as no entry had been made in it for the last *nine years*. As soon as the rector received Priest's Orders, he visited this parish, and administered the communion in it. He found about twenty communicants only; the remains of a parish which the register exhibits ten years ago as a thriving one. He also found a Sunday school of more than sixty children, which had been fostered and kept together by the pious zeal of one lady in the parish.

He has only to add, that he has succeeded in collecting for the Education and Missionary Society of this Diocese \$10 08, and for the repairs of the church \$400.—The church building is now undergoing a repair. The other canonical contributions have not been made.

St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, Westchester county; the REV. SAMUEL NICHOLS, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 2, infants 7) 9—Deaths 3—Communicants (added 3, died 2) present number 46.

Collections and Contributions :—

Missionary Fund of the Diocese,	\$7 04
Diocesan Fund,	2 85
Female Missionary Association to Missionary Fund,	30 00

St. Paul's Church, Eastchester, Westchester county; the REV. JOHN GRIGG, Rector.

Having lately taken charge of this parish, I am only enabled to report the following :—

Baptisms 7—Confirmed 5—Communicants 30.

Collections :—

Missionary,	\$3 90
Diocesan,	3 60

A Bible class has just been organized, and many ladies have laudably formed themselves into an association to aid in procuring a rectory.

As the canon requires me to report the duties I performed since my resignation of St. Paul's, Syracuse, to the 14th of August last, when I was elected to the rectorship of St. Paul's, Eastchester, I would state, that I have officiated in the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists, in New-York, about two months, from the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Smith to the acceptance of the Rev. Mr. Frazer of that station, performing all the customary duties it demanded; and that previously and subsequently to that period, I was, with the exception of three Sundays, occupied in assisting my brethren in the ministry.

Zion Church, Greenburgh, and Christ Church, Tarrytown, Westchester county; the REV. WILLIAM CREIGHTON, D. D., Rector.

Zion Church. The present rector took the charge of this parish in the month of July last, having resigned that of St. Mark's Church, in this city, in the month of May previous.

The number of Communicants at this time is 32. For other details, he refers to the report of his predecessor.

Christ Church. This church was organized in the month of August last, and its services are well attended. There is an encouraging prospect that a church edifice will be commenced this autumn, the ground for it having been already purchased, and a considerable sum subscribed toward its erection. At present, worship is held in the Methodist meeting house, which, in the spirit of Christian courtesy, has been tendered to us for that purpose. An efficient Sunday school has been organized, and is conducted under the faithful and zealous superintendence of one of the wardens. The number of scholars is about 40.

Trinity Church, New-Rochelle, Westchester county; the REV. LAWSON CARTER, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 2, children 8) 10—Confirmed 12—Communicants (added 10, died 3, removed 9) 34—Marriages 7—Funerals 11—Sunday scholars 42.

In January last, the plan of systematic charity by monthly offerings was introduced, and for nine months, appropriations have been made to the following funds, viz.

Diocesan,	\$6 00
Episcopal,	6 00
Education,	12 00
Missionary,	40 00
For do. by Female Missionary Association,	30 00
Tract Society,	10 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	20 00
General Sunday School Union,	50 00
Theological Seminary,	10 00
Domestic Fund of Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society,	7 50
Total,	\$191 50

About \$200 was also contributed by members of this parish toward the building of the church at Sing-Sing.

Our parish church has been repaired and painted, at an expense of about \$600.

St. John's Church, Phillipsburgh, including a chapel at Tuckahoe, Westchester county; the REV. ALEXANDER H. CROSBY, Rector.

Baptisms 18—Marriages 7—Funerals 10—Confirmed 7—Communicants (6 added, removed 2, deceased 4) 72—Sunday scholars 40. The parish library has been increased to about 400 volumes.

Collections :—

Foreign Missions,	\$40 00
Domestic Missions,	50 00
Diocesan Missionary and Education Society,	50 00
Diocesan Fund,	5 00
Episcopal Fund,	5 00
Bible and Prayer-book Society,	12 00
Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union,	114 00
Sunday school library,	12 00
Expended in repairing parsonage, about	700 00
Contributed to building St. Paul's Church, Sing-Sing,	235 00

Christ Church, Rye, and St. Thomas' Church, Mamaroneck, Westchester county; the REV. PETER S. CHAUNCEY, Rector.

Christ Church. Baptisms (adults 4, infants 7) 11—Confirmed 6—Marriages 8—Deaths 10—Communicants (added 12, died 2) 78.

Collections :—

Episcopal Fund,	\$3 50
Diocesan Fund,	5 00
General Sunday School Union,	127 00
Bible and Prayer-book Society,	4 50
Church offering, (which system has been adopted since)	
1st April last :)	
Domestic Missions,	36 40
Foreign Missions,	14 85
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	5 00
Bible and Prayer-book Society,	7 38

Carried forward . \$203 63

Amount brought forward,	\$203 63.
The "Female Education and Missionary Society," attached to this church, has made the following donations:—	
To the Education Society, to advance the rector from a Life Member to a Patron,	70 00
To constitute the rector a Life Member of the Missionary Branch,	30 00
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	\$303 63

The Sunday school numbers 56 scholars and 9 teachers. Within a few weeks, a series of familiar expositions of the holy Scriptures, has been commenced in the houses of the parishioners; the results of which, thus far, have been truly encouraging.

The attendance on the public services of the Church is uniformly good, and the rector humbly trusts that "pure and undefiled religion" is increasing among the people of his charge.

St. Thomas' Church. Baptisms (adults 2, infants 5) 7—Confirmed 2—Communicants 25—Funeral 1. The Sunday school has 8 teachers and 80 scholars.

Collections:—

General Sunday School Union,	\$88 50
Diocesan Fund,	3 00
Episcopal Fund,	3 00

I have resigned the charge of this parish, and feel extremely anxious that the vestry should succeed in their efforts to secure the undivided services of a clergyman. The church has continued to prosper during the past year, in spite of all disadvantages, and offers an encouraging field of labor to a devoted pastor.

St. Paul's Church, Sing-Sing, Westchester county; the Rev. EDWARD N. MEAD, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 6, infants 13) 19—Confirmed 24—Marriages 4—Funerals 2—Communicants (added 24, removed 7, died 2) present number 48—Sunday scholars, including infant school, 160—teachers 20.

Collections and Contributions:—

Auxiliary Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	\$11 77
Missionary Department of Missionary and Education Society,	24 16
Education do. of do. do.	13 38
Episcopal Fund,	10 00
Diocesan Fund,	7 00
From Missionary box of Sunday school, for Green Bay Mission,	7 25

A parish library has been commenced, which contains upward of 150 volumes of suitable books for religious instruction.

In the Sunday school, every scholar who is regular in attendance, receives a copy of the Children's Magazine: the expense being defrayed by a monthly collection in the school, in lieu of individual subscriptions: 22 copies of the Sunday School Visiter are distributed among the teachers.

It is with great pleasure that the rector records the completion and consecration of the church mentioned in his last report. Long may its massive and beautiful walls remain as an enduring monument of the pious liberality and zeal of those who have erected it for the worship of ALMIGHTY GOD! It is built of white marble in simple Gothic style, with projecting tower and buttresses, and it is believed is not surpassed for simplicity and purity of design—for beauty of appearance—and the neatness and convenience of its internal arrangements. In the basement is a chapel and Sunday school-room 40 feet square, a room for infant school, a room for the parish library, and a vestry room, each fitted and furnished for the use for which it is intended. A bell weighing 1500 lbs. has been placed in the tower, and a small organ for present use put in the gallery. The church, with the ground on which it stands, has cost about \$14,000: but by the liberality which has been evinced, and

the exertions which have been made, aided by a grant from Trinity Church, New-York, the vestry have been enabled to release themselves from debt.

The rector, moreover, beholds much to encourage him in the spiritual condition of the church. The prosperity of the Sunday school—the increasing number of worshippers—and the desire manifested for improvement—are all indications of a growing and healthful state of the Church, and are recorded as matters calling for devout gratitude to ALMIGHTY God.

The rector believes it also his duty to report, that he was appointed Chaplain to the New-York State Prison at Sing-Sing, by the Inspectors thereof, on the 9th of June last. The duties performed here, are those of divine service and preaching every Sunday morning at 9 o'clock, visiting the sick two or three times during the week, offering evening prayers in the hall after the prisoners are locked in their cells: and conversing with them individually, as time may permit. These responsible yet interesting duties, make large demands upon the time and labors of the chaplain; yet they are repaid by the desire shown for instruction, and the humble hope that many may thus be turned from the error of their way, and saved from death.

By the liberal donation of the New-York Auxiliary Bible and Common Prayer-Book Society, the chaplain was enabled to place a copy of the Book of Common Prayer in the hands of every prisoner who could read: 700 Prayer-books were thus distributed, and most gratefully received by them, and frequent acknowledgments have been made to the chaplain of the comfort and consolation derived from its possession.

The rector of St. Paul's having also been rector of *Zion Church, Greenburgh, Westchester county*, reports, respecting that parish, as follows:—Since the last report, up to the time of the resignation of the late rector, on the 19th July last, the following exhibits the state of this parish.

Infant Baptisms 3—Confirmed 3—Funeral 1—Communicants (added 7, removed 4, died 1) number at the time of resignation 25.

Collections:—

General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, . . .	\$119 75
Missionary department of Missionary and Education Society, . . .	10 87

The other canonical collections had not been made when the late rector resigned. The Rev. William Creighton, D. D., has since been chosen rector of this church.

St. Peter's Church, Westchester, Westchester county; the Rev. WM. POWELL, Rector.

Baptisms (6 adults, 14 children) 20—Marriages 8—Funerals 9—Communicants (2 added, 2 deceased) about 50.

The annual collections have been made, viz.—

For the Education Society Fund,	\$45 88
Missionary Fund,	50 89
Additional donation by a friend, for the same,	25 00
Episcopal Fund,	12 09
Diocesan Fund,	12 25
General Sunday School Union,	234 04

A fine-toned organ has been purchased this summer, and the church is altogether prosperous.

Grace Church, Whiteplains, Westchester county; the Rev. ROBERT WM. HARRIS, Rector.

Number of families belonging to the parish 25—Attendants on public worship 120 to 150—Baptisms (infants) 5—Confirmations 6—Marriage 1—Funerals 5—Communicants (added 2, died 1) 47—Sunday School Teachers (females 5) 6—Scholars (male 18, female 33) 51—Sunday School Library Books 103.

Amount of Collections:—

Education and Missionary Society,	\$20 00
Episcopal Fund,	8 51
Diocesan Fund,	2 00

\$30 51

The children of the parish have been assembled in the church every Sunday

afternoon, for an hour and a half previous to Evening Prayer, for the purpose of pastoral instruction. These catechetical exercises have been well attended and are beneficial.

The exterior of the church has been painted, and a fine-toned bell of 1035 lbs. weight, placed in the tower.

MISSIONARY REPORTS.

The following portions of the reports of Missionaries are printed by direction of the Bishop:—

From the Report of the REV. WILLIAM ALLANSON, Missionary at Stillwater and Mechanicville, Saratoga county.

St. John's Church, Stillwater.—Baptisms (infants) 2—Communicants (added 3, died 1) 10—Marriages 4—Deaths 2.

Collections:—

Missionary,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$17 00
Diocesan,	.	.	.	.	.	.	2 05

Sunday School:—Teachers 4, Pupils 28.

Libraries:—Parochial Library 50 vols.; Sunday School Library 100.

St. Luke's Church, Mechanicville.—Baptisms (adults 2, infants 3) 5—Communicants (added 1, died 1, removed 3) 10—Marriages 1—Deaths 2.

Collections:—

Missionary,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$8 00
Diocesan,	.	.	.	.	.	.	2 50

In addition to officiating in the above churches, I have also, when a place of worship could be conveniently procured, preached at Schaghticoke, Rensselaer county, where I have baptized 13 infants, and attended 2 funerals.

From the Report of the REV. HENRY S. ATTWATER, Missionary at Little Falls, Herkimer county.

Emmanuel Church, Little Falls.—Baptisms (infants) 4—Confirmed 5—Marriages 4—Funerals 9—Communicants (added 3, died 1, removed 2) present number 13.

Collections:—

For the Episcopal Fund,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$3 86
Diocesan,	.	.	.	.	.	.	4 04
Education,	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 25
Missionary,	.	.	.	.	.	.	9 00

On the Sunday following the last Convention, Emmanuel Church, Little Falls, was solemnly consecrated to the service of Almighty God, in the presence of a crowded and attentive congregation. The same week the pews of the church were sold for an amount sufficient, with the very liberal aid of Trinity Church, of New York, entirely to free the parish from debt.

A few months afterwards the Hon. N. S. Benton very munificently placed in the orchestra a very sweet-toned organ. For the last few months, I have officiated for the congregation of Emmanuel Church but two thirds of the time; the remaining third being devoted to the villages of Herkimer and Mohawk. This summer a Sunday school and Bible class, both of which had been discontinued while worshipping in the school house, have been resumed with more encouraging prospects.

Though the prospects of this church are, upon the whole, encouraging, yet the number of churchmen is still small, and the church will require much persevering

and prudent labour, and nursing aid, ere it acquire a strong and permanent standing at this very important station.

St. Luke's Church, German Flats, Herkimer County.—Baptisms 00—Confirmed 2—Marriages 1—Funerals 00—Communicants (added 00, removed 5) present number 10.

Owing to the feeble condition of this parish, and the very small number of Episcopalians, it was deemed inexpedient to make the required collections.

This parish comprises both the village of Mohawk in the town of German Flats, and the village of Herkimer. Every third Sunday has been divided between these two villages, and occasional services have been held at both places during the week.

At Mohawk, the Episcopal Church is the only organized religious society, and although it contains but two decidedly Episcopal families, yet from having frequently officiated there for more than two years, the prejudice usually entertained against the Church by those unaccustomed to its ministrations has very much diminished; and should the services of a missionary be continued and a church erected, probably the almost entire population will give their support to our communion.

Impressed with this view, two gentlemen, heads of the families just referred to, with praiseworthy zeal, have entered upon the construction of a handsome edifice; and with such aid as they can obtain from their friends, and the surrounding population, intend to have a beautiful Episcopal Church, ready for consecration early next spring.

At Herkimer, where most of the communicants attached to this parish reside, a very favourable impression has been made. Our ministrations are well received, and it is thought, that the day is not far distant when it will be expedient to organize a separate church at this place. The parish of St. Luke's is much indebted to the services of the Rev. Professor Hackley, kindly and gratuitously rendered almost every Sunday during his summer residence at Herkimer.

At Frankfort, also, a village on the canal four miles above Mohawk, there are a few Episcopal families and several who have formerly been in the habit of attending the Episcopal Church. At the special request of some of our friends, I spent one Sunday at this place, and preached in the Dutch Reformed Church, to a large congregation. At Frankfort, the whole community are at present dependent for religious services on the Baptists, the only religious society supplied with a clergyman. A great portion of the inhabitants do not prefer that form of faith and worship, and there can be but little doubt, that, could they be favoured with the services of the Church for a short time, a flourishing Episcopal Church could be soon organized.

From the best information your Missionary has been able to obtain, he is strongly persuaded that the valley of the Mohawk, like the station to which he is appointed, presents a most inviting and interesting field for missionary labours, equal perhaps to any in our Western states. Some of these flourishing villages, though rapidly advancing in wealth and population, are either entirely destitute of regular ministrations of the Gospel, or only supplied with those of a very imperfect and unevangelical character. Of consequence, every form of heresy and infidelity is found prevailing to an alarming extent. In this view, they present a forcible appeal to our sympathies, not only as *Churchmen* but as *Christians*, to "come up to the help of the Lord."

From the report of the Rev. DEODATUS BARCOCK, Missionary at Ballston Spa, and Saratoga Springs, Saratoga County.

Christ Church, Ballston Spa.—Baptisms (adults 2, infants 2) 4—Marriages 13—Funerals 10—Communicants (added 6, died 4, removed 15) present number 75—Sunday scholars about 60—Teachers 10.

The Bishop, at his visitation on the 26th of July, confirmed in this parish 20.

There have been collected and paid over to the—

Education and Missionary Society of this Diocese,	\$50 00
Diocesan Fund,	5 00
Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society,	15 00

The ladies of this parish have, by their industry and perseverance during the last four and a half years, raised the sum of *one thousand dollars* for the purchase of a parsonage, which is now the residence of the rector.

Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs.—I have performed in this parish, since my last report, the same amount of service which I did the year preceding, giving it, with few exceptions, evening service on every Sunday; and the assistance from clergymen visiting the Springs, to supply morning service during the months of July and August, has been very prompt and gratifying.

The want of a larger house of worship, during the summer months, is still felt; some incipient measures have been taken to supply this want, and it is hoped, that at the end of another year, I may be able to report the foundations laid, and the walls arising of the new temple, sufficiently large to accommodate the numerous visitants who resort here in the summer.

A Sunday school has been organized. Scholars 25, teachers 6.

Baptisms (adults 2, children 2) 4—Funerals 1—Communicants (died 1, added 2) 16—Collections for Education and Missionary Fund, \$5 75.

In the month of August, the Rev. Mr. Cuming, Agent of the Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, laid before the congregation the claims of that Institution, and I am happy to say, that the call was met, by visitants and others, with great liberality; the collection amounting, as I have understood, to about 300 dollars.

From the report of the Rev. LIBERTY A. BARROWS, Missionary at Sherburne, Chenango county, and Hamilton, Madison county.

From the period of my last report, until the fifteenth of November, my labours, as before, were equally divided between Sherburne and Norwich; since that time to the present, I have officiated alternately at Sherburne and Hamilton. During the last year, Christ Church, Sherburne, has been severely afflicted by the hand of God, which has by death deprived it of both of its Wardens, *Thomas Kershaw* and *Harry N. Fargo*, who were its founders and main support. With these we have to mourn the loss of several other communicants, which together with the fluctuation of our population, render the prospects of the church here less encouraging than they have been for several years. Though a cloud of gloom has thus been thrown over our prospects, yet we rely on the promise that God will never leave nor forsake his Church. The spiritual condition of the congregation is apparently better than at any former period.

There were the last year 73 Communicants on the Register, (many of whom reside remote from the church,) added during the year 20, removed 8, died 4—Baptized (adults 7, infants 15) in all 22—There were Confirmed 24—I have attended 8 Funerals—and solemnized 5 Marriages.—In addition to the above, I have preached twice in an adjacent part of the town of New Berlin.—The Sunday school remains about the same as it was last year.

Collections —

Missionary and Education Society,	. . . . .	\$7 00
Episcopal Fund,	. . . . .	2 00
Diocesan,	. . . . .	1 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	. . . . .	2 00
Tract Society,	. . . . .	1 21

For the parish of St. Thomas Church, Hamilton, I have preached every other Sunday since the fifteenth of November. Divine service is performed in a large room in the Ladies' Academy, which has been fitted up and rented for that purpose. The prospects of the church are still encouraging, though the removal of one of the wardens, and the death of a very worthy and efficient vestryman, render them less so than they appeared in the spring. The congregation is respectable in numbers, and often more than can find accommodations. Though very limited in physical resources, yet the vestry ardently hope, by the blessing of God, to build a church another year. For this purpose, they have purchased a very eligible site on the main street, near the centre of the village, containing near an acre of ground, for five hundred and seventy-five dollars. But little more can be done here, other than to sustain the present congregation, until a church is erected; then but few country villages present fairer prospects for building up a large and respectable congregation. There are now 17 Communicants—3 removed. I have Baptized (adults 9—infants 2) in all 11—There is now an interesting Sunday school with twelve

teachers and about forty scholars. In addition to the above, I have held a third service and preached four times at Oriskany Falls in the town of Augusta, ten miles from Hamilton and seventeen from Utica. I have administered the communion once. I baptized 1 adult, and 1 infant. I have preached once to a large congregation in the village of Madison.

Collections made as follows:—

Missionary and Education Society,	\$3 00
Diocesan Fund,	1 60
Episcopal Fund,	1 00
Bible and Prayer-Book Society,	1 00

From the report of the Rev. SETH W. BEARDSLEY, Missionary at Onondaga, Onondaga county.

Since my last annual report, I have officiated for the greater part of the time at Onondaga and Marcellus. During the summer past, I was absent for about seven weeks, on a journey to the west, with a view to becoming the missionary at a distant station. That intention I have laid aside for the present, and design within a week or so from this time, to remove to Moravia in Cayuga county. I have officiated during this season four Sundays at Moravia, one at New Berlin, Chenango county, and one at Richfield, Otsego county, where I baptized an adult person and also an infant.

At Onondaga Hill, I have Baptized (1 adult and 4 infants) 5—Marriages 3—Burials 5—Communicants (added 2, removed 4) 26.

The Rev. Mr. Whiting, who has taken charge of this parish, will probably give a fuller account of it, and also will report the collections made.

At Marcellus, there has been but 1 Baptism (an infant)—Marriage 1—Communicants (added 1 or 2, died 1) present number about 27.

N. B. At Detroit, Michigan, I officiated two Sundays—Baptized 1 adult—solemnized 2 Marriages.

At Milwaukee I officiated one Sunday, and solemnized 1 Marriage.

From the report of the Rev. MOORE BINGHAM, Missionary at Hampton, Washington county.

Baptisms (infants) 4—Funerals 5—Marriages 2—Communicants (added 2) present number 34.

The condition of this parish has not essentially changed the last year.

Owing to heavy expenses incurred and incurring in the erection of a house, for the accommodation of their minister, the canonical collections have been omitted.

From the report of the Rev. WILLIAM W. BOSTWICK, Missionary at Hammond's Port and Bath, Steuben county.

St. Thomas' Church, Bath. Baptisms (infants) 6—Marriages 3—Deaths 1—Confirmed 9—Communicants (added 4, removed 4) 27.

St. James' Church, Hammond's Port. Baptisms (infants) 6—Marriages 5—Deaths 4—Communicants (removed 3, withdrawn 3) 23.

Baptisms at Angelica 1; Penn-Yan 6, (children.)

Collections at Hammond's Port and Bath:—

Diocesan,	\$3 00
Episcopal,	3 00
Missionary,	4 00

\$10 00

The services have been divided equally between Bath and Hammond's Port, as formerly, with the exception of four Sundays: one spent at Danville, one at Angelica, and two at Penn-Yan.

From the report of the Rev. NATHAN B. BURGESS, Missionary at Richford, Tioga county; and M'Lean, Tompkins county.

Zion Church, M'Lean. Baptisms (adults 3, infants 6) 9—Communicants 32—Confirmed 5.

St. John's Church, Richford, not visited this season by the Bishop.

During the year I have divided my services equally between the two parishes, except one Sunday I preached in the town of Caroline, where there are three or four families strongly attached to the Church, and who attend occasionally in Richford. I have preached regularly twice on Sundays, frequently a third service; also on the holy-days, and occasional lectures on week-days, some of which in a school-house in a remote part of the town of Richford. Although the distance is nearly twenty miles, yet I was enabled, by a kind Providence, to fulfil my appointments through the most severe winter ever experienced; except once, when the snow fell on the last of the week three and a half feet deep, (in some places it was five feet,) which made it impossible for man or beast to pass till the roads were again opened. These parishes are both small, containing but a few individuals who are really attached to the Church. The villages also are small, and divided into a number of different sects, so that there is not much opportunity of gaining members to the Church. In Richford, prejudice is very strong; although it appears to have softened a little, so that many have attended of late on a third service, or evening lecture, who did not at the beginning of the year. Of those belonging to the church, one family has removed. In St. John's Church, a Sunday school has been maintained through the summer; small, yet containing all the children belonging to the church, and a few more. Also, a "Ladies' Society of Industry" has been formed this season, which has not been instituted long enough to realize funds for appropriation.

Collections:—

Missionary Fund,	\$3 00
Diocesan Fund,	3 00

Zion Church, M'Lean, is laboring under some disadvantages for the want of an edifice suitable for public worship. Some attempts have been made to build; a subscription paper has been circulated, but all efforts will be vain, without assistance from abroad. At present the parish meets in a school-house, which would accommodate tolerably well, were it not occupied by others, which makes it very inconvenient. The congregation has considerably increased since I commenced my labors; and it is to be hoped that there is a corresponding increase of piety.

Collections:—

Missionary Fund,	\$2 00
Diocesan Fund,	1 14
Bible and Prayer-book Society,	1 50
Tract Society, Sunday school, and Green-Bay,	1 50

From the report of the Rev. MOSES BURT, Missionary at Cairo, Greene county.

From the time of my last report, I have continued my engagement with the vestry of Calvary Church, Cairo, to supply them with my service as a clergyman for half the time; but having had no other engagement for the other half, I have officiated with them the whole of the time; and notwithstanding my extreme lameness, I have been able to preach every Sunday except one. I have baptized two infants, and solemnized one marriage; there have been none added to the communion—present number eight. We have a Sunday school with twenty-five scholars, under the instruction of four teachers. We have collected for the Education and Missionary Society of this diocese, \$5 70; and for the Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society, \$4 30; which I shall forward by the first opportunity, as I shall not be able myself to attend the Convention, my lameness having been for the last two weeks, and still continuing, unusually severe.

From the report of the Rev. RICHARD BURY, Missionary at Potsdam, St. Lawrence county.

Since my report of last year, I have continued to appropriate three-fourths of my stated services on Sunday to Potsdam, and the remainder to Canton. Beside which, I have officiated on particular days appointed by the Church, chiefly at Potsdam, where I have also conducted Morning Prayers every day during Passion-week, &c., and every Wednesday, with but two or three unavoidable omissions, throughout the year—to which may be added, frequent weekly services in the adjacent district

school-houses, as time and opportunity would admit, and an occasional third service at Norfolk on Sunday evening. It may be proper for me also to state, that I spent the Sunday after last Convention at Oswego, on my return home, and officiated for the Rev. Mr. M'Carty, in a joint service with the Rev. Mr. Pardee, of Malone, with whom I subsequently exchanged once, and once with the Rev. Mr. Humphrey, of Waddington. Among the most important events within the present sphere of my official duties, were the Consecration of Trinity Church, Potsdam, and the administration of the sacred rite of Confirmation there and at Canton, all of which solemnities, we have reason to believe, were attended by the Divine blessing. Since then, we have organized the parish at Canton under the name of Grace Church, and are encouraged with an increase not only of its numerical, but it is to be hoped also of its spiritual growth and prosperity. Measures have already been taken for the erection of a church in the coming year, and with favorable prospects of success. With the services of a missionary a principal part of the time, which are now greatly needed, as it is the county town, and like Potsdam, a very important station, the parish would no doubt gradually and permanently become large and flourishing.

Owing to the increased expense of building and finishing the church at Potsdam, which required additional subscriptions in the parish, in order to discharge the debt, the usual contributions have necessarily been omitted. The Sunday school continues to be well sustained, and one is about to be organized at Canton with encouraging prospects of success.

Baptisms (at Potsdam 2 adults, 6 infants, and at Canton 1 infant) 9—Marriages (at Potsdam) 3—Funeral 1—Communicants at Potsdam (added 7, removed 5) 20; at Canton (added 6) 11, in all 31—Confirmed (at Potsdam 10, and at Canton 6) 16.

From the report of the Rev. ROBERT CAMPBELL, Missionary at Seneca Falls, Seneca county.

Your Missionary reports that he has officiated for the past year, the whole of his time, in Seneca Falls; with the exception of two Sundays, one in Johnson's Settlement, and the other in Palmyra. The parish for several months after he commenced his labours among them, wore rather an inauspicious appearance; but since that time, though few members have been added, the aspect is more promising.

Through the munificence of Trinity Church, New York, in giving them \$1,000, they have liquidated a debt of \$2,300. And in addition to this they have purchased and paid for an organ.

The Sunday school, from causes not properly ascertained, was extinct, but is now in successful operation. It averages 50 scholars, 10 teachers, 4 male, and 6 female, and the superintendent. Baptisms 3—Communicants (added 3, removed 9) 17—Marriages 2—Funerals 10.

From the report of the Rev. LUCIUS CARTER, Missionary at Danby, Tompkins county, and Candor, Tioga county.

Christ Church, Danby.—Baptisms (adults 3, children 4) 7—Communicants (died 1, added 5) 20—Confirmed 8—Sunday scholars, including bible class, 30 to 40—Sunday school library, number of volumes 30—Funerals 2—Marriage 1.

St. Mark's Church, Candor.—Baptisms (children) 8—Communicants 12—Confirmed 7.

The church edifice, reported last year as having been commenced, has been finished and consecrated. The heavy expenses to which this little congregation has been subject, it is hoped, will be considered a sufficient excuse for omitting the collections the present year.

From the report of the Rev. JOSEPH T. CLARK, Missionary at Skaneateles, Onondaga county.

During the year past I have officiated three fourths of the time at Skaneateles, and one fourth at Borodino, with the exception of one Sunday at Marcellus, where the church has been destitute of a clergyman since Easter. At Borodino there are a few members of the church who were desirous of Episcopal services. They are among a population of six or seven hundred who have been for some time past de-

prived of clergymen of any denomination. The service of the Church has been well received by numbers who were before unacquainted with our forms of worship. What the result will be, we leave to him who alone can give the increase. In Skaneateles I have attended 4 Funerals—Marriages 9—Baptisms (adults 1, infants 4) 5—Communicants (added 4) whole number about 40.

Collections :—

For the Missionary Society of the Diocese,	\$5 00
For the Diocesan Fund,	5 00

From the report of the Rev. JOSEPH H. CORT, Missionary at Plattsburgh, Clinton county.

Trinity Church, Plattsburgh.—Communicants 56—Baptisms (infants) 11.—Marriages 2—Deaths 3—Sunday scholars 70. In addition to the regular instruction of the Sunday school, the children are regularly catechised on the afternoon of the first Sunday of every month, and are instructed in their duties and obligations as members of the church. During the past season the Bishop of the Diocese visited the parish and confirmed 10 persons.

From the report of the Rev. JOHN DOWDNEY, Jun. Missionary at Kingston, Ulster county.

St. John's Church, Kingston.—Baptisms (adults 2, infants 6) 8—Confirmed 19—Marriages 3—Funerals 8—Communicants (added 23, removed 6) 31—Sunday school, teachers 9, scholars 98—Families connected with the parish about 40.

I have officiated regularly at this station since my last report. In addition to this I have frequently held a third service on Sunday evenings at Rondout, a village two miles distant, besides other services as opportunities have been afforded.—Our house of worship has been consecrated. It is a chaste and beautiful edifice. The entire cost of it is about six thousand dollars, two thirds of which have been paid. The income derived from the pew rents is about three hundred dollars. The congregation, although not a large one, may be regarded as highly respectable and intelligent: and its members generally, are ardently attached to the ministry, doctrines and worship of our Apostolic Church. They evince a devotion to her interests, which deserves the warmest commendation. As Kingston is a place of strong hereditary prejudice in favour of another denomination, our progress has of necessity been slow. But it has been sure, notwithstanding almost insupportable difficulties. The Church has already exerted a salutary influence here. Several, it is trusted, have been brought to a spiritual knowledge of evangelical truth. And I indulge in the expectation that we shall witness a gradual accession to her pure and primitive paths. As the members of the parish have entirely exhausted their means, in providing for the necessary expenditures, I have deemed it expedient to omit the usual collections for the present. They have been obliged to contribute liberally for other objects, in order to secure the maintenance of public worship. Through the benevolence of our Diocesan societies, I have been enabled to distribute a number of Prayer books and Tracts in this vicinity. It is my intention to organize a missionary association, and Bible class, and also to establish a parish library.

From the report of the Rev. PALMER DYER, Missionary at White-Hall and Granville, Washington county.

St. Paul's Church, White-Hall.—This is a new parish. By the blessing of God it is prosperous. Nearly \$2000 have been subscribed in the village, for the erection of a church, and an eligible site has been secured. A parish library containing about 325 volumes was established last winter. The Missionary took charge of this parish immediately after his return from the General Convention in September last; and has to report as follows:

Baptisms (infants 15, adults 9) 24—Confirmations 15—Communicants (added 23, removed 1, died 1) 30—Marriages 2—Burial 1.

Contributions for

Education and Missionary Society,	\$3 52
Episcopal Fund,	3 06
Diocesan Fund,	4 73
Charitable purposes,	22 93

Trinity Church, Granville.—Within the ancient limits of this parish, a new

parish has been formed, (in Wells, Vt.) in consequence of which its numerical strength is greatly diminished. It is considered, however, to be in a flourishing condition. The church has been repaired at an expense of \$100. The commencement of the missionary's labours in this parish dates, as in the preceding case, in September, 1835: and he has to report as follows:—

Baptisms (infants 11, adults 3) 14—Confirmations 11—Communicants (died 2, removed and transferred 45, added 10) 60—Marriages 2—Burials 2.

Contributions for—

Episcopal Fund	\$3 71
Diocesan Fund,	4 60
Education and Missionary Society,	17 75
Charitable purposes,	18 99

From the report of the Rev. EDMUND EMBURY, late Missionary at Turin, Lewis county.

Baptisms (infants) 3—Death 1—Communicants (added 3, removed 1) 15.

Collections:—Domestic and Foreign Missionary, \$5 00

It is about four weeks since I left the missionary station at Turin. A beautiful chapel was completed during the last year and was opened for the first on Christmas day, since which time services have been regularly held in it. In the erection of it, the parish is greatly indebted to the liberal assistance of Trinity Church. It is hoped that it will be the source of much spiritual benefit to the neighborhood. In the afternoon of the day of its consecration, the holy rite of confirmation was administered to four persons, others being prevented from attending.

From the report of the Rev. BENJAMIN EVANS, Deacon, Missionary at Patterson, Putnam county, and North Salem, Westchester county.

Your Missionary received his appointment to these two parishes in July last; having for the two preceding months performed the service of the Church in the capacity of a lay-reader according to Canon the XI. Since my ordination, (which took place in St. James' Church, North Salem,) the congregations at both places have increased, and continue to do so. At North Salem, the Episcopal Ladies, although few in number, have by their indefatigable exertion, caused a neat and commodious vestry room to be erected at the north end of the church; and they have also furnished the chancel with an excellent mahogany table.

Baptized (adult) 1—Communicants 18—Death 1—Confirmed by the Bishop in July, 2.

Collections:—

For the Missionary Fund,	\$2 49
For the Diocesan Fund,	1 00

In Patterson the number of Episcopalians is small; nevertheless, they are truly alive to their own best interest, and the interest of the Church. They have now in the course of erection a church edifice, which we hope will be ready for consecration early in next spring.

Communicants 11—Deaths 4.

In this parish no collections have been made, because they (the parishioners) have to make great exertion and some sacrifices in order to aid in the erection of the church; when this is accomplished, the collections will be duly attended to.

From the report of the Rev. GEORGE FISKE, Missionary at Oriskany, and Holland Patent, Oneida county.

Since my last report I have been so afflicted with disease, that of necessity, I have been very deficient in the discharge of my duties. The parishes have, in a measure, supplied these deficiencies, by procuring the services for a few weeks each, of the Rev. Mr. Tatham, and the Rev. Thomas Clarke. We also owe a debt of gratitude to our clerical neighbors for their occasional contributions from our pul-

pits. In consequence of such irregularities and the evils attendant on such a feeble discharge of duty, the state of the parishes is declining. The number of the congregation is less, the number of Sunday school scholars and teachers is less, and the spiritual zeal of the churches is apparently less.

The statistics of St. Peter's Church, Oriskany.—Baptisms (adults 4, infants 24) 28—Confirmed 15—Marriages 4—Deaths 7—Communicants (added 10, died 1, removed 6, excommunicated 1) 55.

Collections :

Episcopal,	.	.	.	.	\$1 23
Education and Missionary,	.	.	.	.	2 30

Statistics of St. Paul's Church, Holland Patent.—Baptisms (adults 4, infants 4) 8—Confirmed 8—Death 1—Communicants (added 11, died 1, removed 1) 26.

Collections :—Education and Missionary, . . . \$2 16

From the report of the Rev. EDWARD K. FOWLER, Missionary at Monticello, Sullivan county.

Baptisms (infants) 3—Marriages 8—Funerals 5—Communicants about 50.

Collections :—

For the Missionary Fund,	.	.	.	.	\$4 00
For the Episcopal Fund,	.	.	.	.	3 00
For the Diocesan Fund,	.	.	.	.	2 00

From the report of the Rev. ALEXANDER FRAZER, Missionary in charge of the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists, New York.

In the beginning of May last, I entered upon my duties as Missionary in charge of the Church of the Holy Evangelists. I found 48 communicants. Since the time of my taking the charge, 8 of those have withdrawn, and united with a congregation which has lately been formed in this city. The statistics of the station under my charge are as follows :

Communicants when I took the charge 48, withdrawn since then 8, leaving 40—Communicants added since then 23, present number 63—Baptisms (adults 5, infants 19) 24—Marriages 10—Funerals 4—The Sunday school contains 139 scholars, average attendance 60—Teachers (male 6, female 9) 15—Daily Infant school scholars 300, average attendance 160.—The Sunday school and lending library contains about 500 volumes. There are also two adult Bible classes, under the supervision of the Missionary.

The Missionary in charge of this station would express his gratitude to God for the aid with which he has been sustained both in body and mind since he took charge of this church. Also for the pleasing prospects of increasing usefulness and prosperity. The ordinary congregation has very much increased. The congregation at the weekly evening lecture has increased three-fold. The monthly missionary lecture excites some attention, and our Sunday school has risen from a state of complete prostration, to health, vigor, and prosperity.

Of the same station, the Rev. HUGH SMITH, the late Missionary, reports as follows :—

The subscriber continued in charge of this congregation until the 1st of March, 1836, when he entered upon the rectorship of St. Peter's Church, in this city. Some of the ministerial acts specified below, were, however, performed after his formal charge over the Church of the Holy Evangelists had ceased, but before a successor had been appointed.

The following is his report of acts performed :—Baptisms (children 19, adult 1) 20—Marriages 4—Funerals 11—Communicants added, 20.

He is happy to add, that on resigning this interesting charge, he left the congregation enlarged in numbers, united in spirit and feeling, and in a high degree flourishing, both as to its temporal and its spiritual condition.

From the report of the REV. ISAAC GARVIN, Missionary at Wethersfield, Genesee county.

My labors, since last Convention, have been, as usual, half the time in St. Clement's Church at Wethersfield Springs, one quarter at Shelden, the other quarter at Darien, until July last, when I commenced services at Auroraville, Erie county, in which place I organized a church. On the day of organization, Judge Stryker gave a lot on which to erect a church; the lot is near the village, and is very valuable; on which lot preparations are making to erect a church the next summer. At Wethersfield Springs, in the county of Genesee, we have a church in good forwardness, of brick, 40 feet by 63, including portico and vestry-room, with a basement of stone 40 feet square; to be finished by Christmas.

At Wethersfield Springs.—Baptisms (adults 3, infants 2) 5—Confirmations 6—Communicants (additions 9) 19—Marriage 1.

Shelden.—Baptisms (infants) 2—Communicants 7—Confirmation 1—Removals 6 families.

St. Paul's Church, Auroraville. Baptisms (adults) 2—Confirmations 4—Communicants 10.

From the report of the REV. JOHN D. GILBERT, Missionary at Big Flats, Chemung county.

Baptism (infant) 1—Marriages 4—Deaths 7—Communicants 13.

Collections:—

Episcopal,	\$1 00
Diocesan,	1 00
Education,	1 00
Diocesan Missions,	2 00
Domestic Missions,	1 00
Foreign Missions,	1 00

With the exception of four Sundays, two of which were spent in exchange with the Rev. Mr. Lord, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, one at Catharine, and one at Painted Post, the latter in Steuben county, your Missionary has confined his labors for the past year to this place, up to the first of July last; since which, he has been employed by the vestry of St. John's Church, in Catherine, one-third of the time. In this church he gives the number of communicants as found in the report of last year, 46.

Collections:—Episcopal \$1. Diocesan \$1. Education \$1. Diocesan Missions \$2. Domestic Missions \$1. Foreign Missions \$1.

From the report of the REV. DAVID GRIFFITH, Missionary at Morristown and Heuvelton, St. Lawrence county.

Your Missionary entered upon the duties of this station about the middle of October, 1835, and since that time has equally divided his services between the two said places.

Christ Church, Morristown.—Baptisms 1—Burials 2—Marriages 5—Confirmations 11—Communicants (added by removal 2) 22.

Sunday school, 1 superintendent, 3 male and 4 female teachers; from 35 to 40 scholars; library (purchased by the Ladies' Sewing Society) 60 volumes.

Heuvelton.—Baptisms 5—Burials 1—Confirmed 4—Communicants 13.

Sunday school (recently established) consists of 2 teachers and 15 scholars,

No parish has been yet organized at Heuvelton. Owing to the ascendancy of other denominations, the present prospects of the Church at that village are not very encouraging.

Beside officiating twice on alternate Sundays at Morristown and Heuvelton, your

Missionary during the year has officiated ten times at school-houses in the neighborhood. Also once at Ogdensburgh, and once at Brockville, Canada.

Contributions:—

To the Missionary Society of the diocese,	\$9 00
For the Episcopal Fund,	1 85
For the Diocesan Fund,	3 00

From the report of the REV. BURTON H. HICKOX, Missionary at Watertown, Jefferson county.

With the exception of eight Sundays, your Missionary has devoted his time exclusively to Trinity Church, Watertown, preaching twice on Sunday, and maintaining for the greater portion of the season a lecture on Wednesday evening. He flatters himself the Church is growing in respect, and that the parish is substantially improving. Our congregation is thought to be nearly or quite equal to any in the village; but as we have six places of worship with settled ministers in each, they are not generally crowded. Our Sunday school numbers fifty or sixty, who are in general attendance, and is the hope of our parish. It has a library of 200 volumes or more. I always give it my personal attention, and am assisted by both my wardens. We have six male and five female teachers. We trust our labors have not been in vain.

Baptisms (infants 19, adults 3) 21—Marriages 2—Deaths 4—Communicants (added 20, removed 8) present number 50—Confirmed by the Bishop 24.

During the past year, I have preached five Sundays in Lockport, Niagara county, for Grace Church, a vacant parish, where I baptized (children 8, adults 2) 10—and performed 1 marriage, and administered the holy communion to about 20 persons. I have spent two Sundays in Maumee City, Ohio, and preached to respectable congregations, though there was no organized church; and one Sunday in the city of Detroit, where I married one couple. Three dollars have been given me toward defraying the expenses of the Convention. I have preached and made a collection for the Diocesan Missionary Fund.

From the report of the REV. ORIGEN P. HOLCOMB, Missionary at Windham, Greene county.

Your Missionary reports the past year, Baptisms (infants) 6—Marriages 1—Funerals 2—New Communicants 1, died 1, removed 1, added by removal 2, present number 55.

Collections:—

Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society,	\$7 59
Episcopal Fund,	1 00
Convention Fund,	2 00
Diocesan Missionary Disposable Fund,	7 00
Female Association Fund,	5 00

\$22 59

Added to the stated services of the Church on the Lord's day, I have performed twenty-five extra services, and preached at Big Hollow, and at various other places remote from the church where our services have been invited, and apparently well received, among a population for the most part not Episcopal. There are families and communicants in Lexington and Prattsville, two adjacent towns, who belong to this church, and to whom the visits and attentions of your Missionary are extended. A course of Sunday school and Bible class instruction commands the personal attention of your Missionary, aided in the former by six female communicants. The Missionary Association of this parish, composed of ladies, continue their operations with increased ardor and efficiency. The Rev. H. H. Prout, Deacon, on several visits to his family in Windham, has preached five times in the church, and on two occasions, extra, in the vicinity. The zeal and pious devotion manifested by the professors of religion in this congregation, and the liberality with which all the true friends of the Church exert their limited ability to sustain its services, are *esteemed encouraging* indications of a prosperous state of religion in a small parish.

From the report of the REV. JOHN HUGHES, Missionary at Gilbertsville, Otsego county.

During the past year I officiated one-half of the time at Gilbertsville, one-fourth at Laurens, four Sundays at Mount Upton, four Sundays at Huntville, and five Sundays at Norwich, Chenango county, where I spent some days in visiting different families of the parish, and the candidates for Confirmation, 14 in number. Here I baptized 11 persons, 5 adults and 6 children.

The prospects of Christ Church, Gilbertsville, are hitherto very flattering. Baptisms (adults 3, children 4) 7—Communicants (added 8, removed 1)—present number 47—Marriages 2—Funerals 2.

Collections:—

Green Bay, a box of clothing valued at	\$36 65
Education and Missionary Society,	13 00
Episcopal Fund,	3 00
Diocesan Fund,	3 00

Beside the above, by the efforts of the Young Ladies' Sewing Society, 114 dollars were raised to procure blinds and other things for the church.

From the report of the REV. AARON HUMPHREY, Missionary at Waddington, St. Lawrence county.

Your Missionary entered upon the duties of this station a short time before the last annual Convention of the Church in this state, officiating in the church here three Sundays out of four, and the other Sunday at Lisbon. As is almost universally the case when destitute of clerical services for any considerable length of time, he found the congregation in a scattered and depressed condition. Through the Divine blessing, however, prospects have somewhat brightened. The attendance at church is more regular, and the congregation has considerably increased, and 5 persons have been added to the number of communicants, 7 infants have been baptized, 2 marriages have been solemnized, and 3 funerals have been attended. \$14 50 have been contributed in aid of the funds of the Education and Missionary Society of the church in this state. There are 60 scholars in the Sunday school, under the direction of a male and female superintendent, and 8 teachers.

At Lisbon, where services have been performed once in four weeks, there is yet no regular church organized; but there are several communicants of the Church residing there, and a considerable number of families who will undoubtedly attach themselves to it. They intend soon to organize under the statute made and provided for that purpose. Six infants have been baptized in the course of the ministrations in that place.

Waddington.—Communicants 26—Baptisms 7—Marriages 2—Burials 3.

Lisbon.—Baptisms 6.

From the report of the REV. HIRAM JELLIFF, Missionary at Lithgow, Dutchess county.

Since the date of the last report, services have been performed in St. Peter's, Lithgow, on every Sunday morning except one or two. Our evening services have been mostly confined to the exterior part of the parish, according to the practice of the preceding year. I have occasionally lectured at Dover, a small village about nine miles from this; and at Stanford, which is about two-thirds the distance of the former. At the latter place, I have entertained some hopes of erecting a church: the hard times, however, have caused some delay in obtaining funds for said purpose. One Sunday I spent at Pine Plains, a village about twelve miles distant. There I officiated to a large and attentive audience. I should think that, at some future day, a church will be erected in that place. As to the peculiar state of the parish of St. Peter's, I think it truly encouraging; and I fondly cherish the hope, that her borders will continue to extend, through the good providence of God.

During the past year, 5 have been added to our communion. One has died, and 1 removed, leaving 24 that now remain. There have been 4 funerals. Baptisms (adults 2, infants 2) 4—Marriages 2. Collections, as required by the canons, have been made. The following is an accurate account:—

Collections:—

Missionary and Education Society,	.	.	.	\$4 54
Diocesan Fund,	.	.	.	5 45
Episcopal Fund,	.	.	.	2 00
Bible and Prayer-book Society	.	.	.	8 00
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From the report of the Rev. LOT JONES, Missionary in charge of the Mission Church of the Epiphany, New York.

The Missionary at this station finds renewed cause for thankfulness on account of the blessings that have rested on that portion of the Lord's vineyard committed to his charge. He has had the delightful privilege of ministering to the necessities of the children of suffering and affliction; of seeing the glad tidings of the gospel light up beams of holy joy in the countenances of the sick and sorrowing; and of conducting to the sanctuary of our God, many on whom the cares and ills of life pressed heavily.

To our brethren in the humble walks of life, few years have been attended with more of vicissitude and trial than the past. While the increased expense of living and the difficulty of procuring comfortable tenements have induced a considerable number to remove to other places, the experience of every day has reiterated the declaration of our SAVIOUR, "The poor ye have always with you." To these, especially attention has been directed, and through the kindness and liberality of our friends much has been done in alleviating distress, and diminishing the amount of human misery. Our congregations for public worship on the Lord's day are uniformly large, attentive and devout. Every month has borne testimony to accessions to the number of those who commemorate the dying love of Jesus. The schools connected with the church are in a flourishing state. The daily infant school has awakened an interest far exceeding our fondest anticipations. The rooms are always full. Applicants for admission sufficient to form a large school have been refused within the last six months. The school is under the care of 3 teachers. Average attendance 164. In the Sunday school there are 38 teachers, and 402 scholars. Many interesting facts might be mentioned in illustration of the salutary influence it has exerted. But as some of these concern the living, a regard to their feelings prompts to the passing of them in silence. Not so with reference to the departed. They are beyond the reach of human praise. Their example may be noticed as an incentive to others, to choose the path in which they found precious consolation. We refer to two sisters who joined the school as teachers within a short time after its organization. It was here that "through the divine blessing, they were brought to the knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus." "They were lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in their death, they were not" long "divided." It was the privilege of the Missionary to watch the dawning of divine truth in their minds; to observe gratifying proof of the ascendancy it gained; to present them for confirmation, and welcome them to the holy altar; to witness their fidelity to the children intrusted to their care in the Sunday school, and to learn from their lips on the bed of sickness and death, the most comforting testimony of the inestimable value and the sustaining power of the blessed gospel.

Baptisms (adults 8, infants 81) 89—Confirmed in St. Mark's Church 14—Marriages 35—Deaths 50—Communicants (added 90, died 12, removed 42) present number 274.

From the report of the Rev. JAMES KEELER, Missionary at Harpersville, Broome county.

Exclusively of occasional services in other places, your Missionary has officiated regularly the past year in this church and generally to full and attentive congregations. Though our parish has lost many important members by deaths, and remo-

vale, it may now be considered in a flourishing condition. A greater degree of sensibility exists, and a larger number of communicants have been added, than in many preceding years. An Adult and Sunday school library have been procured by the voluntary contributions of the people, the latter of which has been peculiarly useful. A small contribution has been made to the Missionary Fund.

Families 47—Communicants (died and removed 6, and 15 have been added) 45—Baptisms 7—Marriages 3—Confirmations 9.

Collection to the Missionary Fund, \$10 00.

From the report of the Rev. EZRA B. KELLOGG, Missionary, in charge of the Third Station, New York.

The Missionary of this station entered on his duties the 6th of September, 1835. For the first three months, services were performed in a place which had previously been occupied as a house of worship in Hammond-street. During these months there was a gradual yet very perceptible increase of the congregation and Sunday school, accompanied with an interest among the hearers, which gave promise of much good.

The station was soon after divided into three sections. The Missionary, as directed by the City Mission Board, organized Sunday schools in these sections, and has since continued to officiate once on Sunday in each. To those of his clerical brethren who, for some months, enabled him to furnish his people with two services on Sunday, he desires in this place to return his grateful acknowledgments. The Sunday schools of the station are in a prosperous state, and have uniformly been well sustained and taught. The present number of scholars, all of whom occasionally attend, is 554. Regular attendants 231. These are under the instruction of 60 teachers. Baptisms 62—Marriages 3—Funerals 18. The communion has been administered every few weeks in the two sections of Hammond and Varick, but the Missionary is unable to state the number of communicants properly belonging to his station, since he knows not how many, among those who commune, are to be regarded as members of other churches.

New Communicants 18, deceased 3.

Through the generosity of individuals, a library has been obtained for this station, containing 206 volumes. Their circulation is principally confined to the congregation in Hammond-street. These books are a choice collection for popular use. They are read with interest by parents and children, and hence we may hope, that in their perusal some, at least, have been spiritually profited. Libraries are also attached to the other schools of the station. The plan of lending tracts is pursued in all the schools, and by this means, provision has been made for the copious and weekly distribution of these excellent substitutes for a living ministry. The result is with Him who gives the blessing. There are two female associations connected with the station. Their object is to prepare suitable clothing for the children of the poor who attend our Sunday schools. During the past year, they have furnished by their industry between two and three hundred garments, thus greatly contributing to the prosperity of this interesting department. The congregation in Hammond-street remains nearly stationary, while those in Varick and Washington are slowly on the increase. It can hardly be expected, however, that a large number should be collected in any part of the station, without the encouragement to be derived from the erection of a third mission church. Nothing but this gives the promise of permanent and satisfactory services, and nothing will prevail like this to bring the people together. Satisfied that in ministering to the poor of this city his chief usefulness would be found to be in parochial visitation, the Missionary has accordingly spent most of his time and labor in this way. The poor have had the gospel preached to them at their own dwellings—the sick have been visited—the mourners comforted—the suffering needy relieved—the ignorant informed—the improvident advised—neglecters of God's house have been entreated—the careless warned—and the seekers after godliness encouraged. But while the Missionary laments that so little fruit has appeared from these services, he would not neglect to acknowledge with gratitude, that the grace of God hath apparently abounded toward *some*, through his instrumentality. Hence, notwithstanding the difficulties with which he has had to contend, he is comforted with the hope that he "*has not run in vain, neither labored in vain.*"

From the report of the Rev. STEPHEN M'HUGH, Missionary at Waterloo, Seneca county.

The Missionary at this station, in furnishing the third annual report since his receiving an appointment thereto as the sphere of his future labors, states with mingled feelings of gratitude and satisfaction, that during the past year, his services appear to be peculiarly blessed when compared with those of the two former years. The number of respectable accessions to the communion, (unprecedented in the history of this little parish,) the increased attendance and attention to Church ordinances, a deeper tone of piety in some, and an anxious wish for information in others, all go to prove the approval and presence of our Divine Head in rendering efficacious his own word and work.

My services have been generally confined to Waterloo this year: there were causes which made it indispensable to the future well-being of the parish to have it so. I have given two regular services and delivered two lectures generally in each week—the lectures on the distinctive doctrines of the Church. I have, however, in addition to exchanging with my brethren of the surrounding parishes, officiated once in the village of Ovid, and twice in Canandaigua. I regret to say, that unless our church building is enlarged, I can look for no future increase of the congregation. The building, originally too small, cannot now accommodate all who attend, and many who would unite themselves with the church cannot, in consequence of having no seats.

The collections for the past year have not amounted to as much as I could wish; but as I intend to introduce the systematic charity recommended by the Church, as soon as I conceive it at all practicable, I trust therefore this is the last year in which we will fall so far short of what inclination would prompt to give.

Baptisms (adults 9, infants 13) 22—Marriages 9—Funerals 10—Communicants (added 14) 52.

Contributions:—

Diocesan,	.	.	.	.	.	\$5 00
Education and Missionary,	.	.	.	.	.	5 00

From the report of the Rev. THOMAS MEACHEM, Missionary at Hunt's Hollow, Allegany county, and Mount Morris, Livingston county.

St. Mark's Church, Hunt's Hollow.—Baptisms (adults 2, infants 8) 10—Marriages 4—Deaths 2—Communicants (added 16, died 1, removed 4) above 80.

Collections:—

Missionary,	.	.	.	.	.	\$10 00
Diocesan,	.	.	.	.	.	3 00
Episcopal,	.	.	.	.	.	2 00

St. John's Church, Mount Morris.—Baptisms (infants) 7—Communicants (added 4) about 40.

I continued my labors at Mount Morris until the first of March last. Since that time, I have held occasional services there, and regularly officiated four Sundays in succession at Hunt's Hollow, and every fifth Sunday at the Middle Falls. I have frequently preached a third sermon in the neighborhood. A weekly lecture was delivered in St. Mark's Church during Lent, and service was daily celebrated during Passion Week, and also on Monday and Tuesday in Easter week. Several lectures were also delivered preparatory to the rite of confirmation being administered. I have also preached twice at Grove, once at Castile, once at Warsaw, and twice at White-Settlement.

At the Bishop's visitation, held at Mount Morris, 29 persons were confirmed, 20 of whom were from Hunt's Hollow.

From the report of the Rev. JOHN F. MESSENGER, late Missionary at Walton, Delaware county.

Baptisms (infants) 1—Marriages 2—Deaths 7—Communicants (added 3, died 3, removed 1) present number 35.

The foregoing statistics show the condition of this parish up to the end of June last, at which time the charge was resigned.

Immanuel Church, Otsego, Otsego county, under the care of the missionary at Walton. Within the space of two years a church has been organized, a neat stone edifice erected, consecrated, and the requisite amount of funds for its erection nearly obtained.

One individual (adult) has received the rite of baptism. Five communicants have been added, 1 died, 1 removed, and 10 now remain. Occasional services as heretofore have been given at Oneonta.

From the report of the REV. TIMOTHY MINOR, Missionary at West Charlton, Saratoga county, and Port Jackson, Montgomery county.

I commenced my services in December last, under the following peculiarities: viz. St. Mary's Church had long been destitute of regular clerical services, and the greatest number, and the most efficient members, had been displaced by death or removal from the vicinity; consequently the vestry, who are constituted principally of such men as were either hostile or indifferent to the Church, had opened its doors to such denominations as wished to occupy it, while the building was left to decay. This season, measures have been taken, principally by the Missionary's own hands, to put the church in a decent and comfortable state of repair, and to restore it to its pristine and proper use. A Sunday School Society, auxiliary to the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, has been organized. A prosperous Sunday school of about 30 scholars and 6 teachers, who are also formed into a class for instruction, has been established. The congregation, though small, is serious and attentive.

Communicants (added 1) 7—Marriage 1—Baptisms (adults 1, infants 3.)

My commencement at Port Jackson was attended with the most gloomy and discouraging circumstances. Several clergymen had previously undertaken, but left in despair of accomplishing the desired object. The Rev. Mr. Burt succeeded in collecting a large congregation, consisting of the principal inhabitants of the villages of Amsterdam and Port Jackson, with a fair prospect of building a commodious church; but they were disappointed by reason of St. Ann's Church not receiving her portion of the funds bequeathed by the Society in England for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts, originally divided between St. Ann's and St. John's Churches at Johnstown. Being thus disappointed, an universal dissatisfaction prevailed, producing prejudices not easily overcome. At this juncture another denomination proposed to build a house of worship, and the object was effected. But when the vestry of Trinity Church, New-York, who are the trustees of the bequest of the Society in England, decided in favor of the claim of St. Ann's Church, its hopes were resuscitated; and fourteen hundred dollars was immediately subscribed, and the foundation of a church 45 by 65 feet was laid, and the wall of brick is now raised nearly to the top of the windows, and it is designed to be completed in the best style. Thus far it has progressed by the energy of the people at Port Jackson. The want of a convenient place of worship, together with the prejudice of the people, which is not wholly removed, has somewhat restricted our congregation; but it is confidently believed, that when the church shall be completed, it will be occupied with a large and respectable congregation. On the whole, the prospects of the church are good, and brightening. My time has been equally divided between the two parishes. Marriages, 3.

Contributions:—

Episcopal Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	\$1 00
Diocesan,	•	•	•	•	•	1 00
Education and Missionary,	•	•	•	•	•	1 00

From the report of the REV. THOMAS MORRIS, Missionary at Ellicottville and Olean, Cattaraugus county.

My time during the last year has been devoted, on Sundays, equally between these two places, except one Sunday that I visited Franklinville. I have likewise officiated regularly at three other places, once in two weeks at each place. There is certainly a brightening prospect in this part of the Lord's vineyard, larger and more attentive congregations, a more decided preference to the doctrines and wor-

ship of the Church, and a corresponding seriousness and regard for the things of religion. In Ellicottville, we hope to finish our church building to be ready for consecration next year. And in Olean likewise a new church is so far advanced as to lead us to hope that it will be ready for the same ceremony by the next visitation of our Bishop.

Ellicottville.—Baptisms (infants) 4—Funerals 3—Communicants 13.

Olean.—Baptism (infant) 1—Funerals 3—Marriage 1—Communicants 9.

Collections:—

Missionary,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$12 40
Diocesan,	.	.	.	.	.	.	9 65
Episcopal,	.	.	.	.	.	.	4 08½

From the report of the Rev. RUFUS MURRAY, Missionary at Lewiston, Niagara county.

He continued his labors in Chautauque county, as Missionary at Mayville and parts adjacent, (where he has spent nearly twelve years of his ministry,) until about the first of April last, when he accepted an invitation to remove to this station, and immediately entered on his duties here; where he has officiated regularly every Sunday, besides giving stated lectures on Wednesdays; and during the few months he has been here, his services have been blessed by the Divine Head of the Church, beyond the most sanguine expectations; while an increased and growing attention to the evangelical liturgy and services of the Church is apparent.

At the recent visitation of the Bishop, the church (which is beautiful in design and neatness, reflecting much credit on the few zealous friends of the Church) was consecrated to the worship of ALMIGHTY GOD, and twelve persons confirmed. Baptisms 11—Burials 5—Marriages 2—Communicants (removed 1, added 10) present number 22. Owing to the many disbursements of the parish in the building of the church &c., the collections have been omitted.

The church at Mayville, since my resignation of the parish, has remained vacant; but the services on Sundays have been regularly kept up by lay reading; still they are desirous to procure the service of some clergyman, and I hope in the good providence of God, that they may soon be blessed with one, who shall administer to their spiritual wants; for whom I entertain the kindest regards, and from whom (for a series of years) I have received so much kindness and attention.

Since my last report, and previous to my leaving there, I baptized 2 adults and 4 children—Married 4 couple, and attended 1 burial.

The church at Westfield where I officiated one half of the time, is now supplied by the services of the Rev. Mr Huse.

This parish, which was entirely built up under my ministration, and left in flourishing circumstances, is endeared to me by many past recollections of friendship and good feeling shown toward me, which will long be cherished and remembered. Baptisms there 1—Marriages 2.

From the report of the Rev. GEORGE H. NORTON, Missionary at Allen's Hill, Ontario county.

St. Paul's Church.—Baptisms (adults 1, infants 8) 9—Marriages 2—Deaths 2—Communicants (added 4, died 1, removed 8) present number 39.

Collections:—Missionary, \$6 50.

On account of ill health for some weeks past, I have not been able to perform as much service abroad as I could wish or had intended. In the months of May and June, I spent a part of two weeks in the vacant parish of Trinity Church, Geneva; officiated on two Sundays, performed 1 baptism, and attended 1 funeral. And since the date of my last report, I have also visited and preached on two Sundays in Trinity Church, Centrefield, in this county. This parish, I regret to state, is yet unsupplied with a regular clerical service. But very much to their credit, I beg leave to report, the church is uniformly kept open by lay reading, and the zeal and engagedness of the members continue unabated.

The parish of St. Paul's Church, Allen's Hill, (which continues to be my place of residence,) has been somewhat weakened by the removal of four or five large families from amongst us during the present season.

From the report of the REV. AMOS PARDEE, Missionary at Malone, Franklin county.

As in former years, your Missionary has spent his time in the three places, Malone, Hogsburgh, and Duane, but chiefly in the first place.

In Hogsburgh the Rev. Eleazer Williams, Deacon, teacher of an Indian school at St. Regis, in Canada, has usually officiated in the morning of every other Lord's day, which has enabled me to spend the more time at Malone. Although the Church in Hogsburgh has had the accession of a family or two, yet it is about to suffer the loss of a principal family, by their removal to the City of New-York.

In Duane, the Church remains much the same as it was last year.

In Malone, the congregation is small, and its pecuniary concerns bad; yet in things spiritual, the Church seems to have been blessed.

The Baptisms have been (adults 3, children 6) the whole number 9. The number confirmed at the visitation of the Bishop was 10. It is believed that the removal of communicants has been 1. The additions in Malone have been 9, and 3 more it is supposed are prepared for the next communion. The whole number of communicants in the county is supposed to be about 35.

Collections:—

Missionary Fund,	\$7 11
Diocesan Fund,	3 00

A collection from ourselves and neighbors of \$25 has been made for the Episcopal Indian school at St. Regis, in our neighborhood.

From the report of the REV. HENRY PECK, Missionary at Constantia, Oswego county.

Baptisms (infants) 2—Funerals 6—Marriages 6—Communicants 20.

Collections:—For the different Societies of the church, \$9 17

During the past year, I have continued to officiate regularly every Sunday in Trinity Church, Constantia, up to the present time. No very essential change has taken place in this parish since the date of the last report. Obstructions have been frequently forced into our way. But notwithstanding the many hindrances and difficulties with which the parish has had to contend, arising from the mixed state of society, as well as from the formidable prejudices entertained against the forms and usages of the church, we feel well assured that the strength and influence of the church continue gradually to increase—and we think no serious doubts need be entertained of final success, provided the regular services of the church can be continued in this parish. We cannot perhaps reasonably expect, under existing circumstances, a rapid accession of numbers, although our efforts have been crowned with a gradual success up to the present time. But while a good and salutary spirit is diffusing among the people, we entertain a reasonable hope, from the widening prospect before us, of a richer future harvest. Our Sunday school has been favored with a close and diligent attention on the part of the church; about thirty-two scholars have received the benefit of its instruction, and although all have not manifested or paid that diligent attention which we could have wished, others, we entertain good hopes, will derive lasting benefit.

Among the deaths that have taken place during the past year in this parish, it has become our painful duty to record that of Mr. George Scriba, the long-trying, faithful, and I may add, unwavering friend of the Church. Many are already acquainted with the untiring assiduity and pious zeal with which he labored for the promotion and the advancement of our beloved church. His generous and liberal spirit has been most feelingly evinced in a variety of instances, while the sun of prosperity shed its light upon him in his more brilliant career of life. And after the serious reverse with which he was visited in point of affluence, the generous and genial current of his soul was not checked: he continued to manifest an untiring perseverance in promoting the best interests of that Church to which he had been so long and so faithfully attached, and his kind and liberal mind was only stayed and bounded by his more limited means. While we would not in the least detract from what is so justly due to the few kind, liberal, and faithful friends who

have been unparing in their efforts, and have rendered their efficient aid in bringing forward our infant establishment to its present state, we feel, and must say, that we owe much to our kind-hearted and excellent friend whom death has separated from us. Though bowed under the weight of more than fourscore years, and labouring under the accumulated infirmities of age, his ever active mind was continually awake to the subject that lay nearest his heart. His influence, and his all, were freely tendered for the advancement of the general cause. And while we feel grateful to the Giver of all good, for his lengthened stay among us, and while we would bow in humble submission to the divine disposal, we feel, and must sensibly feel, that the place which he occupied presents to our view a sorrowful blank. In him, we feel that we have lost a kind and affectionate friend, one in whom acts of kindness and liberality were ever unaccompanied with ostentation, and were uniformly performed in the most quiet and peaceable manner.

From the report of the Rev. SETH S. ROGERS, Missionary at Fayetteville, Chenango county.

During the past year, your Missionary has continued to officiate at this station, with the exception of eight Sundays, five of which were spent in exchange with Rev. Messrs. Adams and Bush; two at Norwich, while that parish was in a destitute situation; and one in Pennsylvania. I have also held a third service in the neighboring districts, and preached four times to full and attentive congregations. The church at Fayetteville is advancing slowly but surely, and since my last report several families have rented pews, and may be considered as attached to the congregation.

Since the last Convention, I have Baptized (adults 8, children 6) 14—at the visitation of the Bishop 27 persons were confirmed, 1 of them from Bainbridge—Marriages 3—Burials (children) 3—10 have been added to the Communion, 5 removed, making the present number 49. The Sunday school has not been in so prosperous a condition as last summer, owing to want of new books for the library. The ladies of the congregation have formed a society, with a view, by their exertions, to aid the benevolent institutions connected with the Church. I have also disposed of 24 prayer books, and have several applications for more, and distributed upwards of one thousand pages of tracts.

A collection has been made, amounting to \$5 77, to be divided between the Episcopal and Diocesan Fund, and the Missionary Society.

From the report of the Rev. CHARLES SEABURY, Missionary at Setauket, and Islip, Suffolk county.

It is with pleasure I announce to you the continued good condition of the congregation in Setauket. The usual number has attended through the past year; and with apparent devotion.

A subscription of about \$160 00, (a liberal sum considering their poverty,) has been raised the last year, for painting and repairing the church: accordingly, the church has been newly painted, and some repairs made. Much more was intended to be done, but our funds could reach no further. The building however is greatly improved in appearance.

Marriages 3—Funerals 2—new Communicants 2.

As usual, I have kept the church open at Islip; the congregation is small, but they are attentive; and those who do attend, appear to appreciate highly the privilege of a regular service.

Baptisms at Islip 3.

From the report of the Rev. ISAAC SHERWOOD, Missionary at Cold-Spring Harbor, Queen's county.

Divine service is celebrated at Cold-Spring, on Sunday mornings. The number of persons attending are frequently more than can be accommodated in the school-house in which we worship.

This inconvenience, we hope, will soon be removed in the completion of the church, now building in this place. The Sunday school is well attended and continues to exert a salutary influence upon the minds of the young, in favor of our apostolical instructions, and it is also hoped of vital godliness.

The female association continue their very laudable exertions to render assistance to the necessities of the parish.

Collections :—

Episcopal,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$1 00
Missionary,	.	.	.	.	.	.	1 00
Diocesan,	.	.	.	.	.	.	1 00

Marriages 6—Funerals 7.

At Oyster Bay, divine service was celebrated on Sunday afternoons until the beginning of July, when the connection of the Missionary with the parish of Glen Cove, rendered it necessary to change the time of service from the afternoon to the evening. The congregation at this place is large and increasing. The means of building a church are ample, but the location is a point which still remains undecided.

Collections :—

Episcopal,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$1 00
Missionary,	.	.	.	.	.	.	1 00
Diocesan,	.	.	.	.	.	.	1 00

At Huntington, the church has been opened twice for the administration of the Holy Communion.

Parish of Glen Cove. This place is rising into importance. Our brethren from the city regard it as a pleasant retreat. The Missionary took charge of this parish in July last. Divine service is celebrated on Sunday afternoons. During the past summer the church was filled; the attendance is now very good. The circumstances of the church are encouraging, and the zealous exertions of the congregation entitle them to much praise.

Collections :—

Missionary,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$3 00
Episcopal,	.	.	.	.	.	.	1 00
Diocesan,	.	.	.	.	.	.	1 00

Whole number of Communicants upon this station 15.

From the report of the Rev. LUCIUS SMITH, Missionary at Fredonia, Chautauque county.

Since my last report, I have continued to officiate three fourths of my time in Trinity Church, Fredonia, and one fourth of my time in Forestville. I am happy to say, that during the past year I have organized a parish at Forestville, in this county, by the name of "St. Peter's Church, Forestville." The services at Forestville are well attended, and I trust the day is not far distant, when they will commence the erection of a church edifice. The parish attached to Trinity Church, Fredonia, is prosperous. It is the less necessary that I should enter into any detail regarding this parish, as the Bishop has so recently visited us and consecrated our church. We are greatly in need of *Prayer Books and Tracts*, especially as I have already been requested to hold services at Dunkirk and Van Buren, and I have promised to do for them all that I can, consistent with other engagements. The demand for the services of the church is constantly increasing; many of the deep prejudices, once so injurious to her growth, are fast fading before the light of truth.

Baptisms (adults 5, infants 2) 7—Marriages 3—Funerals 4—Confirmed 7—Communicants 30.

From the report of the Rev. RICHARD SMITH, Missionary at Elmira, Chemung county.

Your Missionary, since the last Convention, has been employed at Hector seven months, in which place and its vicinity he has attended at Hector 57 times, at Bur-

dett 11, at the school-house North 6, at Jefferson 6, at Johnson's Settlement 6, and at Covert 1.

I have solemnized 2 Marriages—Baptisms (infants) 2—Burials 3—Communicants 10—Sunday school teachers 4, scholars 10. The church consists of few members, and in consequence of the many discouraging circumstances, I felt it my duty to leave; and on consulting the Bishop, I removed to Elmira, to supply the vacancy made by the resignation of the Rev. Thomas Clark, through ill health. At this place I have had the pleasure to see the church edifice raised, and now getting in a forward state, to be finished by the end of December. I am happy to state, our prospects here are encouraging. We have to acknowledge the ardent zeal and industry of the Ladies' Society, to whom much praise is due. The liberality and good will of the inhabitants in subscribing toward our church, and especially to the Corporation of Trinity Church, at New York, for the increase of amount to be given of \$300, making it \$800. These helps, united with some donations given by gentlemen who have visited our growing village, will enable us to place our church free of debt. And by the continued zeal and industry of the Ladies' Society, and other helps, we shall have an organ to conduct that most delightful part of our worship, singing the praises of God. We have reason to hope, when our church is open, many persons who cannot now be accommodated in the school-house will attend, and we hope to see our church prosper. Our numbers are small, but thanks to the great Head of the Church, we are united, and striving together for its increase. We have sustained some loss by the removal of four families, which reduced the number of our communicants, though we have lately added 2. Our present number is 23, 8 have removed, and 5 are added; I have baptized 1 infant, attended 3 funerals. We have 14 teachers, and 60 scholars. At Elmira 22 Sunday services, at Southport 2, at Geneva 2.

Our collections are small, as our building committee have pressed their demands on the people so recently.

Missionary and Education Society,	\$7 50
Diocesan Fund,	3 50
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	3 00
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	\$14 00

From the report of the Rev. ERASTUS SPALDING, late Missionary at Sodus, Wayne county, and Vienna, Ontario county.

Subsequently to my last annual report, my services were equally divided between Sodus and Vienna, with the exception that I almost invariably had a third service on Sunday at the former place, until the middle of February last; previously to which time, I administered the communion to that church thrice. At that place during the latter part of the time I was with them, I saw much to encourage me, and but little to discourage me, except a want of energy and zeal among the congregation. There was evidently an increased and increasing number of attendants at both the places where we were in the habit of assembling for worship. And there was also, as I have reason to suppose, an increasing attention to the all-important subject of religion, and to the very appropriate rites and usages of our beloved Church.

At Vienna I have officiated regularly half of the time until the first of June last. And here, owing to a variety of causes, I feel constrained to say, I see but little that is flattering in the prospects of the Church. Emigration, and speculation, have most obviously contributed to weaken the parish and dampen its energies. There are to be found some who are truly attached to the principles and interests of our holy cause, and who are extremely anxious to have continued the services of the church. Besides performing religious services as above stated, I have preached once at Fairville in the town of Newark, once at Poulneyville, officiated thirteen Sundays in the church at Canandaigua, preached on two occasions at Centrefield, on one occasion at Sodus Point, and once or twice in a school-house in the vicinity of Vienna. The communion has been administered at this last place five times. Once I administered it in Geneva, and thrice at Canandaigua.

In Sodus, Baptism (infant) 1—Marriage 1—Death 0—Communicants (added 1, removed 3) 4—present number about 30.

In Vienna, Baptisms (infants) 3—Marriage 1—Deaths 3—Communicants (added 1) present number 7 or 8.

In Canandaigua, attended 2 Funerals.

I feel bound to state, that an effort was made at each of my stations to raise the canonical contributions by an attempt to establish a plan of systematic charity, which failed by reason of the termination of my period of service and the delays occasioned by the reluctance of some of the influential members of my congregations to forward the undertaking.

From the report of the Rev. CYRUS STEBBINS, D. D., Missionary at Waterford, Saratoga county, and Cohoes, Albany county.

Marriages 8—Baptisms (infants) 4—Communicants, (Waterford 40, Cohoes 10) 50—Funerals 10.

Collections for Missionary purposes exclusively :—

Waterford,	\$10 00
Cohoes,	3 00

For Diocesan Fund :—

Waterford,	\$3 00
Cohoes,	1 00

Sunday schools, Bible classes, &c. &c. as heretofore.

From the report of the Rev. JAMES M. TAPPAN, late Missionary at Watervliet, Albany county.

My labors in this parish were continued up to May last, since which time, ill health has prevented me from discharging accustomed parochial duties. Previously to the termination of my services on this station, and since my last report, there were Baptisms (infants) 5—Communicants added 6—Marriages 4—Deaths 3.

Since May last, I have baptized one infant, celebrated two marriages, and buried one person in Troy.

From the Rev. WILLIAM TATHAM, Missionary at Fairfield, and Norway, Herkimer county.

Shortly after the last Convention, at the request of the Wardens and Vestry, I officiated four Sundays in Trinity Church, Utica.

Whilst at Holland Patent, I usually officiated every Sunday afternoon in the absence of the Rev. Mr. Fisk, Missionary of that place and Oriskany; and on several occasions I officiated for the Rev. Mr. Fisk, both at Holland Patent and Oriskany.

Since my arrival at this Missionary station, in April last, I have held Divine service the first and third Sundays in the month at Fairfield, the second Sunday at Middleville, and the fourth Sunday at Norway.

It affords me much pleasure to be able to state, that in all these places the services of the church have been generally well attended, and I trust the spiritual interests of the hearers advanced.

Owing to the want of a suitable place for holding Divine worship, the services of the church have, I am sorry to say, been discontinued for the present at Newport.

The Sunday school at Fairfield excites increasing interest; number of scholars 30, teachers 5. The parish and Sunday school library consists of 91 volumes.

At Norway, Funerals 6—Marriages 10—Baptisms (adults 3, infants 2) 5.

At Fairfield, Middleville, and Newport, Communicants (added 5, restored 1, removed 11) 69; at Norway (added 5, removed 1) 29. Total 98.

Collections :—

For the Episcopal Fund,	\$4 58
Diocesan Fund,	1 54
Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of the central part of the State of New York,	4 75
Fairfield and Middleville, Missionary Fund,	17 25
Norway,	4 87
Confirmed at Fairfield 11—at Norway 8.	

From the report of the Rev. JAMES THOMPSON, Missionary at Durham Greene county.

I have been stationary in this part of CHRIST's vineyard, now about twenty-three years, without changing my place of residence; I shall probably remain here till the close of life, which cannot be far off, as I have almost numbered seventy years. My labors have been extensive in every direction from me, and I think have been blessed: many churches have been built and congregations raised up, and numbers added to the communion. The time has been, when I did not know that there was an Episcopalian within twenty miles of me; now there are no less than six churches within half a day's ride.

I have divided my services equally between Christ's Church, Greenville, and St. Paul's Church, Oak Hill, the year past; the congregation at Oak Hill have got this year a good bell in the church, and there is now nothing wanting but a good fence around the church and burying ground; but the hearts of the people changed by divine grace, and made the spiritual worshippers of God in his temple. If I could see now a blessing on this congregation I should rejoice. The seeds of the Gospel have been long sown; but as yet, but little fruit.

The number of Communicants are 16—a Sunday school of about 40 or 50 scholars has been kept about six months in a year in the village of Oak Hill.

At Greenville the congregation has changed more than in former years: two communicants have died, one a very important man in the church; 3 communicants have removed, one has been added, and one adult baptized—the present number 26. I have attended two funerals, married three couple, and made collections in both congregations for Education, Missionary, and Diocesan Funds.

From the report of the Rev. AMOS C. TREADWAY, Missionary at Sacket's Harbor and Brownville, Jefferson county.

Christ's Church, Sacket's Harbour.—Baptisms 3—Marriages 2—Funerals 3—Communicants (added 3, removed 2) 32.

Collections :—

Diocesan Missions,	\$34 71
Education Department,	2 00
Diocesan Fund,	3 50

The attendance of the members of this church is regular, and their deportment serious; and it is confidently hoped that the cause of religion in general, and of our church in particular, is advancing in the reverence and affections of the people. The Sunday school is still prospering under its able and devoted superintendent. Pupils about 35.

St. Paul's Church, Brownville.—Baptisms 2—Communicants 31.

Collections :—

Diocesan Missions,	\$16 81
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The church in this place is reduced by removals to a very small number, yet your Missionary has infinite pleasure in saying, that some valuable accessions have recently been made to the communion; and it is humbly trusted Almighty grace will enable all to preserve their present good standing. The congregation are characteristically uniform in their attendance upon public worship, and manifest a disposition to render the labors of their minister among them happy and agreeable.

Zion Church, Pierrepont Manor.—Baptisms (adult 1, infants 4) 5—Funeral 1—Communicants (added 4) 8.

Collections :—

Diocesan Missions,	\$18 00
Diocesan Fund,	1 50

This church was organized by the above title on the 4th of January last; and the singularly neat and convenient edifice erected and furnished at the individual cost of W. C. Pierrepont, Esq. was consecrated by the Bishop on the 16th of August last. The people here, in general, manifest a sincere desire to receive the gospel; and there are hopes that the good leaven of Divine Truth will, in the end, produce the conversion of sinners to God.

The Sunday school continues, and now numbers about 100 pupils. It possesses singular interest, and is the promise of much usefulness. The Missionary would be wanting in gratitude should he here omit an acknowledgment of the very acceptable services of Mr. Nathaniel Watkins, a candidate for Holy Orders, as Lay Reader, on the Sundays when, from his other engagements, he has been necessarily absent from this parish.

The "Offerings" of the several congregations under my charge for the conventional year just terminated, amount, for *all* the objects to which they have been directed, to \$114 34.

From the report of the Rev. JOHN V. VAN INGEN, Missionary at Greene, Chenango county.

He has preached at Greene and in the neighboring parish of Coventry since his last report, 105 times; in other parishes, exchanging chiefly with a view to the celebration of the Lord's supper, while he was in Deacon's Orders, or when travelling, 23 times; has baptized 21 infants, or children of unripe age, and 1 adult, exclusive of 2 adults and 2 infants baptized by Bishop Onderdonk, at his visitation in June. He has solemnized 1 marriage, and officiated at 6 funerals.

A weekly Bible class has been kept up in the parish by the Missionary; and a Sunday school numbering 50 scholars, and meeting at 9 o'clock on Sunday mornings. Several members of the Vestry have strengthened, encouraged and assisted him in this important department of pastoral labor, by their constant attendance as teachers in the school, which he has personally superintended. A Sunday school has also been kept for a part of the year at Coventry, by a zealous layman and his wife, (natives of Connecticut,) the former having also, in connection with another layman, conducted divine service at the house where the school is held, on Sundays, since the Bishop's visitation in June.

The members of our communion at Coventry are not numerous, (perhaps 6 to 10 families,) but they are intelligently and firmly attached, as well as exemplary, and very grateful for pastoral services among them. There exists also here, in many of the other denominations, an evident friendliness toward our institutions, evinced by a ready willingness to receive the liturgy and join in its use in public worship.

The confirmations in June last were (at Greene 12, and at Coventry 4) 16. The communicants of both parishes united, and communing at Greene, are (added 31, removed 2, died 1) 46. Several of those added are persons who had not lost their attachment to the Church, but who have now returned to its ordinances after long disuse, or only occasional and rare communion in the Lord's supper. Others are from the Bible-class, and the lately confirmed; while some are accessions from other Christian societies.

The Missionary has only to add, his grateful record of the evidences of a due appreciation of Christian privileges in the possession of the means of grace, observable in those of whom he has the oversight, and on their behalf, his acknowledgment to the friends and patrons of the Missionary Board, which is happily, in God's hands, an instrument of so much good.

Recapitulation :—

Baptisms (adults 3, infants 23) 26—Confirmed 16—Communicants (added 31, removed 2, died 1) 46—Marriage 1—Burials 6.

Collected in the parish, exclusive of the salary to the minister :—

For lamps, communion plates, and other church furniture,	\$151 00
Towards the purchase of a bell, and extinction of debt, (\$500) for organ, &c.	205 00
For the Missionary and other societies of the church,	23 00
For benevolent objects of a local nature, exclusive of communion collections,	18 00
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From the report of the Rev. MARSHALL WHITING, Missionary at Jamesville, Onondaga county.

Christ Church, Pompey.—On the 8th of November last, I closed my engagement in this church, at which time the Vestry concluded it inexpedient, on account of the peculiar circumstances of the congregation, to attempt any longer, for the present, to sustain ministerial services.

Number of communicants at that time as last reported 32.

St. Mark's Church, Jamesville.—Since closing my labors at Pompey I have, until the 10th of July, devoted my time to this church, uniformly holding three services on Sunday, and during part of the year teaching a Bible class on one evening in the week. From July until the present time, I have officiated twice on each Sunday at Jamesville and once at Onondaga Hill.

Baptisms (adults 4, infants 9) 13—Confirmed 5—Communicants (removed 4, died 2, added 6) 29—Marriages 5—Funerals 3.—The Sunday school contains from 20 to 25 scholars, and 5 teachers.

Collections :—

For Education and Missionary Society,	\$8 00
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An appointment has been made for the other collections prescribed by the canons.

AGREEABLY to the following portion of the first section of the 7th Canon of the General Convention of 1835, viz : " And every other clergyman, not regularly settled in any parish or church, shall also report to the ecclesiastical authority of his diocese, the occasional services he may have performed ; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same ;" the Bishop has received reports from the following clergymen of the Diocese :

The Rev. Calvin Colton, Deacon, residing in New York.

The Rev. William C. Cooley, Deacon.

The Rev. Richard Cox.

The Rev. John M. Garfield, Principal of the Albany Female Seminary.

The Rev. Charles W. Hackley, Professor of Mathematics in the University of the City of New York.

The Rev. Herman Hooker.

The Rev. Reuben Hubbard, residing at Fort Edward, Washington county.

The Rev. Pierre P. Irving, Deacon.

The Rev. Nathan Kingsberry.

The Rev. Archibald T. K. McCallum, Deacon.

The Rev. John McVickar, D. D., Professor of Moral and Intellectual Philosophy, and Political Economy, in Columbia College, New York.

The Rev. Marcus A. Perry, Principal of an Academy, New Hartford, Oneida county.

The Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., Professor of Moral Philosophy and Belles-Lettres in Union College, Schenectady.

The Rev. Roderick H. Ranney, Deacon.

The Rev. John C. Ruck, D. D., Editor of the Gospel Messenger, Utica.

The Rev. Gilbert H. Sayres, residing in Jamaica, Queen's county.

The Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D. D., Professor of Biblical Learning and the Interpretation of Scripture, in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New York.

The Rev. William M. Weber, M. D. residing at Peterborough, Madison county.

The Rev. William R. Whittingham, "St. Mark's Church, in the Bowery," Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New York.

I beg leave to call the attention of the Diocese to the subject of the Parochial and Missionary reports required to be made to the Bishop "on or before the first day of every annual Convention."

It is provided by Canon VII, section 1, of the General Convention of 1835, that such reports shall contain "a statement of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, and Funerals, and of the number of Communicants, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of" the "parish or church."

Canon VII, section 2, of our Diocesan Convention of 1834, contains the further provision, that in the report of the communicants, there shall be distinguished "the additions, removals, and deaths, since the last report."

[The third section of the same Canon is as follows:—"In every case where a parish is destitute of a minister, the Register contemplated by this Canon shall be kept by some person appointed by the Vestry for that purpose; and the annual parochial reports shall be presented or forwarded to the Bishop by the Wardens of the parish."]

Canons XIII and XV of this Diocese, of the same year, also provide, that the amounts of the contributions required by them to be made, in every congregation, to the Episcopal Fund, and to each department of the Education and Missionary Society, be reported to the Convention, and entered on its Journal.

These requisitions of the Church are clear, and need no comment, nor, I trust, any other enforcement than a proper regard for her authority, and a proper sense of moral obligation.

In order, however, that the good end which she obviously has in view may be more fully answered, I request attention to the following points connected with the reports:—

1. That in the Baptisms, the respective numbers of adults and infants be distinguished.

2. That in the Confirmations, all belonging to the parish who have been confirmed within the year, whether in their own parish or not, be regularly reported. It is desirable that when a confirmation is not expected in one's own parish for some length of time, candidates properly prepared should avail themselves of an early opportunity in a neighboring one, and this should especially be the case where sickness or some other unavoidable cause has prevented an expected confirmation. By attention to this, the obviously proper rule of preceding communion by confirmation may, in a very great majority of cases, be observed. And as the instances of such confirmations, as well as appointed confirmations therein, are evidences of the state of a parish, they ought to be reported; as, I am glad to say, has been the case in some instances.

3. That among the "matters that may throw light on the state of the parish," there be included the number of children instructed in the catechism, and the frequency with which such instruction is given by the Pastor; the number of attendants at Sunday schools, and of aids whom the pastor has in the conducting of such schools; and the number of members of other classes, if any, formed for catechetical or other familiar instruction, in the doctrines and duties of revelation; also, the frequency with which the service of the Church is celebrated on Holy Days, Litany Days, or other occasions, in addition to Sundays.

4. That besides the contributions required by the Canons to be reported, there be also included such as have been made for other religious and charitable objects connected with the Church.

5. That the various items of statistics be so arranged, in tabular or other distinct form, as to be easily distinguished from the body of the report, so as to facilitate the drawing up of a tabular view of the statistics of the whole Diocese, a work involving much difficulty, if the items are to be gleaned by the perusal of a full report, instead of being placed together and in prominent view, either at its commencement or its close.

Lastly, I ask the attention of the vacant parishes to the duty laid on their Vestries of appointing a suitable person to keep the parish register, and on the Wardens to present or forward the annual parochial report.

BENJ. T. ONDERDONK,
Bishop of the Diocese of New York.

APPENDIX.

NO. II.

THE SECOND EVENING PRAYER,

Appointed agreeably to the Canons, to be used in any congregation of this Diocese in which the order for Daily Evening Prayer has been previously used on the same day, is as follows :—

The order for Daily Evening Prayer is followed to the end of the Psalms for the day, or selection of Psalms, and Doxology ; and then the following order :—

A *Lesson* from the Old or New Testament, at the discretion of the Minister.

Either of the four Psalms appointed to follow the Lessons at Evening Prayer.

The *Creed* and the following *Versicles and Responses*.

The Collect for the Day.

The Collect for Aid against Perils.

The Prayer for the whole State of CHRIST'S Church Militant,
in the Communion Service.

Any of the *Occasional Prayers or Thanksgivings* as occasion may require.

One of the *Discretionary Prayers at the end of the Communion Service.*

2 *Corinthians* xiii. 14.

APPENDIX.

No. III.

PROCEEDINGS

NECESSARY TO THE ORGANIZATION OF NEW CHURCHES.

Reported by a Committee of the Convention in 1827.

By the Act to Provide for the Incorporation of Religious Societies, passed 5th April, 1813, and the Act amending the same, passed 5th March, 1819, it is competent for the male persons of full age belonging to any church, congregation, or religious society, to incorporate themselves, although such persons may not have belonged to the church, congregation, or society, for the last twelve months; in which last respect the latter Act is an amendment of the former.

The first step to be taken in order to an incorporation, is to give notice at morning service, on the two Sundays previous to the time which may be appointed for the election of Churchwardens and Vestrymen, of the intended election; which notice is to be given by the Rector, or if there be none, by any other person belonging to the congregation.

The congregation having met at the time and place appointed, the Rector, or if there be none, or he be necessarily absent, then such other person as may be called to the chair, shall preside at this first election; and two other persons should be nominated, to certify, with him, the proceedings of the meeting.

The meeting is then, by a majority of voices, to elect two Churchwardens and eight Vestrymen, and to determine on what day in Easter-week the functions of the persons then elected shall cease, and their successors shall be afterward annually chosen; together with the corporate name or title by which the church is to be known.

A certificate is then to be signed under the hand and seal of the Rector, or other person who shall preside at the election, and of two other persons nominated for that purpose, stating the names of the persons elected to the offices of Churchwardens and Vestrymen, and also the day in Easter-week appointed for the annual elections, and the corporate name or title of the church.

This certificate is to be acknowledged by the persons signing it, or proved by one or more of the subscribing witnesses, before the Chancellor, or one of the Judges of the Supreme Court, or one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the county where the church or congregation is established. It is then to be re-

recorded in the County Clerk's office, in a book to be by him provided for the purpose.

It may be proper to add, that the qualifications to vote for Churchwardens and Vestrymen, required by the first section of the Act of 1813, will be requisite at all annual elections after the first; that is, at such subsequent elections the voters must have belonged to the congregation for the preceding twelve months, and must have been baptized in the Protestant Episcopal Church, or must have been received therein by the rite of Confirmation, or by receiving the holy Communion, or by purchasing or hiring a pew or seat in the church, or by some joint act of the parties and of the Rector, whereby they shall have attached themselves to the Protestant Episcopal Church.

A form of the certificate of incorporation, and of the proof of its execution, is hereunto subjoined.

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY CONCERN: *We whose names and seals are hereunto affixed do certify, that in pursuance of notice duly given, according to law, for that purpose, at the time of Divine service, on the two Sunday mornings now last past, the male persons of full age belonging to the Church, Congregation, or Society, commonly called _____ Church, in the _____ of* _____; in which Church, Congregation, or Society, Divine service is celebrated according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York; met at their place of worship in _____, for the purpose of incorporating themselves under the Act entitled "An Act to Provide for the Incorporation of Religious Societies," and the Act to amend the same. At which meeting, and by a majority of voices, the undersigned being Rector of the said Church,† was called to the chair and presided, and the undersigned _____ were nominated to certify the proceedings of said meeting, in conjunction with said Rector,‡ and by a majority of voices, _____ were elected Churchwardens, _____ were elected Vestrymen, of said Church; and _____, in the week called Easter-week, was, in like manner, fixed on as the day on which the said offices of Churchwardens and Vestrymen shall annually thereafter cease, and their successors in office be chosen; and the name or title of "The Rector, Churchwardens, and Vestrymen of*

* Instead of the words "commonly called," &c., may be inserted the words *worshipping in*, [here name the town, village, street, building, or other particular designation.]

† The words "being Rector of the said Church," are to be omitted when the Rector does not preside at the meeting, and in place of them the name of the Chairman is to be inserted.

‡ When the Rector does not preside at the meeting, here omit the word "Rector," and insert the name of the Chairman.

Church, in the of , " was in like manner fixed on and agreed to, as that by which the said Church, Congregation, or Society, shall be known in law. In testimony whereof, we, the said , together with the undersigned have hereunto subscribed our names, and affixed our seals, this day of , in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and

Signed and sealed in the presence of

On the day of , in the year of our Lord , before me of the Court of Common Pleas for the and county of , personally appeared one of the subscribing witnesses to the above instrument, who being duly sworn, did depose and say, that he was present and saw whose names and seals are affixed to the foregoing certificate, sign and seal the same; and that the deponent, together with did, in their presence, and at their request, subscribe the same as witnesses.

APPENDIX.

NO. IV.

DIRECTIONS

For persons desirous to become Candidates for Holy Orders, and for those desiring Ordination as Deacons and Priests.

DIRECTIONS FOR THOSE WISHING TO BECOME CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Can. IX.—Sec. 1. A person wishing to become a candidate for Holy Orders must, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the ecclesiastical authority, or to the President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

Sec. 2. He is then to apply to the Standing Committee for their recommendation of him to the Bishop, to be admitted as a candidate for Orders. To enable the Committee to act, he must lay before them,—I. Evidence of his having made his intention known to the Bishop. II. A certificate to the following effect, unless the Standing Committee can certify the same facts of their own knowledge :

*“To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New York.
(Date.)*

“We, the subscribers, from a satisfactory knowledge of the character of A. B., do hereby testify our belief that he is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and a communicant of the same; and in our opinion, possesses such qualifications as will render him apt and meet to exercise the ministry to the glory of God and the edifying of the Church.”

✠ The above certificate should be signed by one presbyter, and at least four respectable laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of the above should have a personal acquaintance with the applicant; but they may act upon such knowledge of his character from other sources as is satisfactory to them.

III. (Sec. 3.) A satisfactory diploma; or a certificate from the instructor or instructors of some approved literary institution, which certificate must state what have been his studies, and the extent of his improvement in them; or a certificate from two presbyters, appointed by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to examine him of his possessing such academical learning as may enable him to enter advantageously on a course of Theology.—Or, (*Sec. 4.*) when the person applying to be admitted

a candidate wishes the knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, he must, instead of the above-mentioned diploma or certificate, lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial signed by at least two presbyters of the Church, stating that in their opinion he possesses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence; with proper evidence that the Bishop, with the consent of a majority of the clerical members of the Standing Committee, has granted such dispensation. The Canons provide that this dispensation shall not be granted to any person under 25 years of age, and that no person shall be ordained under such a dispensation until he shall have attained 30 years of age; but as to the Hebrew language, the power of dispensation rests with the Bishop alone, without reference to the age of the candidate. The Standing Committee may then sign a testimonial in behalf of the candidate, which he must produce to the Bishop, who (Sec. 6.) may thereon admit him as a candidate for Orders: in which station he must remain three years before his ordination, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the clerical members of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain him after the expiration of a shorter period, not less than one year.*

DIRECTIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS WISHING TO
BE ORDAINED DEACONS.

Canon XV.—(Sec. 2.) A candidate for Holy Orders wishing to be ordained a Deacon, must lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial in the following words:

“To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New York.

“We, whose names are hereunder written, do testify from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and

* The Canons contain also the following provisions, which, however, have no relation to the testimonials. (Sec. 5.) With this enumeration of qualifications, it ought to be made known to the candidate, that the Church expects of him—what can never be brought to the test of any outward standard—an inward fear and worship of ALMIGHTY GOD: a love of religion, and sensibility to its holy influence: a habit of devout affection: and in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in Scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone His sacred influence can be manifested.

(Sec. 9.) If a candidate shall not, within three years after his admission, apply for his first and second examinations, or within five years for his third and fourth examinations, he shall in either case cease to be a candidate.

(Sec. 10.) Any person desirous to become a candidate for Holy Orders, must apply to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he resides, unless they shall consent that the application be made in some other Diocese.

Candidates are not to change their canonical residence but for bona fide causes requiring the same, and to be judged of by the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority.

hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this — day of —, in the year of our LORD —."

The above certificate is to be subscribed by the minister and vestry of the parish where the candidate resides, or by the vestry alone if the parish be vacant, (of which circumstance the Committee must be duly certified,) and must contain the names of at least a majority of all the wardens and vestrymen. The respective titles of the minister, wardens, and vestrymen must be attached to their signatures. If there is no vestry where the candidate resides, the circumstance must be certified to the Committee, and then the testimonial must be signed by at least twelve respectable persons of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of this testimonial should be personally acquainted with the candidate: they may act upon a satisfactory knowledge of his character from any other source.

The candidate must also lay before the Standing Committee a certificate in the following words:

"To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New-York.

"I do hereby testify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly: and hath not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons. This testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A. B. for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this — day of —, in the year of our LORD —."

The above testimonial must be signed by at least one respectable presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. The Standing Committee may then sign the canonical recommendation to the Bishop for Orders; which the candidate is to exhibit to the Bishop.

Directions for Deacons wishing to be ordered Priests.

A Deacon wishing to be ordered a Priest, must lay before the Standing Committee the same testimonials, subscribed in the same way, as those required of him on his application for ordination as a Deacon; except (Sec. 5.) that they may be so altered as to extend to such portion only of the three years preceding his application for Priest's Orders as has elapsed since his ordination as Deacon; and except also, that if he be the minister of the

parish, the testimonial of piety, good morals, and orderly conduct shall be signed by the vestry alone. The Standing Committee may then give him the canonical recommendation for Orders, which he is to exhibit to the Bishop.

No person shall be ordained Priest, unless he shall produce to the Bishop a satisfactory certificate, from some church, parish, or congregation, that he is engaged with them, and that they will receive him as their minister : or unless he be a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he belongs ; or in the employment of some missionary society recognized by the General Convention : or unless he be engaged as a professor, tutor, or instructor of youth, in some college, academy, or other seminary of learning duly incorporated.*

Candidates for ordination as Priests or Deacons, are referred to the following further provisions.

Canon XV.—(Sec. 3.) If the candidate, from peculiar circumstances not affecting his pious or moral character, shall be unable to procure testimonials from the ministry and vestry of the parish where he resides, testimonials to the effect required may be received from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and from at least one respectable presbyter who has been personally acquainted with the candidate for at least one year.

(Sec. 4.) A candidate recommended by the Standing Committee of any church destitute of a Bishop, if he shall have resided for the greater part of the last three years within the Diocese of a Bishop, shall apply to such Bishop for ordination, and shall produce the usual testimonials, as well from the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he has resided, as from the Committee of the Church in the Diocese for which he is to be ordained.

* For the case of one who has officiated as a minister of another denomination, see Canon III. of the General Convention of 1835.

APPENDIX.

No. V.

The committee appointed by the Convention of 1834, to inquire into the expediency of applying to the Legislature for an alteration of the several acts respecting the incorporation of churches of our communion, in pursuance of the instructions contained in the resolutions of the Convention of the 7th October, 1836, respectfully report, that all the amendments to the existing acts which the committee deem essential, are incorporated in the draft hereto annexed, and which, in obedience to one of the said resolutions, they have caused to be appended to the Journal of the last Convention.

P. G. STUYVESANT.
JAMES MILNOR.
HENRY ANTHON.
T. L. OGDEN.
WILLIAM JAY.

January 20, 1837.

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An Act further to amend the Act entitled an "Act to provide for the Incorporation of Religious Societies," in respect to Congregations of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

SECTION I. The first meeting for the purpose of its incorporation, of any congregation or religious society in which divine service shall be performed according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State, shall be held at the place in which such congregation shall usually assemble for worship. If there be no officiating minister, notice of the day, hour, and place of such meeting, may be given by any three or more of the congregation, being male persons of full age, by writing under their hands, to be conspicuously fixed on the outer door of such building, at least ten days previous to the time of meeting. At such meeting, all male persons of full age, belonging to the congregation and professing to belong to the said church, and none others, shall be entitled to vote in the election of churchwardens and vestrymen. After such first election, the stated annual elections shall be held, at the place in which the congregation shall usually assemble for worship, on the Tuesday of the week called Easter week, at noon. At such annual elections, none others shall be entitled to vote, than such male persons, being of full age and professing to belong to the said church, as shall for one year next preceding the election have belonged to the congregation,

and by himself or some portion of his family, shall have occupied a pew or seat in the church edifice or building in which the congregation shall have usually worshipped, and shall have paid rent for such pew or seat, or have otherwise contributed to the support of the rector or minister, according to the rules and regulations of the vestry, provided that such payment or contribution shall not be deemed a necessary qualification, in respect to persons possessing the other qualifications above mentioned, who, being owners of any such pew or seat, shall not within such year have been required by any such rule or regulation to pay rent for the same, or to contribute toward the support of the rector or minister; and provided further, that no such rule or regulation shall affect the rights of voters at any such election, unless the same shall have been made at least six months previous thereto.

SECTION II. The certificate of incorporation referred to in the first section of the act hereby amended, shall contain the names of the churchwardens and vestrymen elected, and the corporate name or title by which the church or congregation is to be known in law; and such certificate may be acknowledged or proved before the Chancellor, a Judge of the Supreme Court or of any Circuit Court, a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the church edifice or place of worship shall be situate, or before a Commissioner of Deeds within such county; and as to churches within the city of New-York, shall be recorded in the Register's Office of the city and county of New-York.

SECTION III. Stated meetings of the vestry of every such church or congregation may be held, without previous notice, on the Tuesday next following the day of each annual election of churchwardens and vestrymen, and on such other days, and at such house or place, as shall be appointed by any by-law or standing regulation of the vestry.

Special meetings of the vestry may be called by the rector; and if there be no rector, by any three members of the vestry.

It shall be the duty of the rector, if there be one, to call special meetings on the written requisition of three members of the vestry; and in case of his neglect or omission so to do for two weeks after such requisition, or of his absence from the city or town in which the place of worship may be situate, for eight successive weeks, any three members of the vestry may call such special meetings. At any stated or special meeting of the vestry legally convened, a majority of all the members being present, it shall be competent to the Board to transact its business. If the rector be not present, one of the churchwardens to be chosen by a majority of the members present; and if no churchwarden be present, then any other member of the vestry, to be chosen in like manner, shall preside at such meeting and have the casting vote.

SECTION IV. Any religious society or congregation belonging to the Protestant Episcopal Church already incorporated, may, by writing under the hands and seals of the rector, if there be one, and a majority of the existing churchwardens and vestry-

men, or under the hands and seals of two-thirds of the church-wardens and vestrymen, without the rector, declare their election to become incorporated under the provisions of the several acts now in force in relation to the incorporation of religious societies, as such acts are hereby amended; and such declaration having been proved or acknowledged, and recorded, as provided by the second section of this act, every such society or corporation shall thenceforth be considered as incorporated under such provisions, and subject thereto, and shall continue to enjoy all its corporate rights and privileges.

SECTION V. So much and such parts of the act hereby amended, and of any act amending the same, as may be inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

APPENDIX.

NO. VI.

[Published by order of the Convention. Vide p. 59.]

RULES OF ORDER.

I. At the opening of each Annual Convention, when the President shall have taken the chair, the Secretary shall call over the names of the clergy entitled to seats. The Lay Delegates shall then place their certificates on the Secretary's table; and whenever a constitutional quorum shall be found present, the President shall declare the Convention duly organized.

II. The first business shall be

The election of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an Assistant Secretary.

The appointment of four Standing Committees by the President—

1. On the Incorporation of Churches, one Clergyman and two Laymen.

2. On the Diocesan Fund, two Clergymen and two Laymen, with a Treasurer.

3. On the Treasurer's Report, three Laymen.

4. On the Theological Seminary, two Clergymen and three Laymen.

III. The daily order of proceedings, after the first day, shall be—

1. The Daily Morning Prayer.

2. Reading and approval of the Minutes.

3. Calling the names of absent members.

4. Reports to be called for in the following order :

Committee on Incorporation of Churches.

" " Diocesan Fund.

" " Treasurer's Report.

" " General Theological Seminary.

Trustees of Episcopal Fund.

Special Committees.

New York City Mission Society.

New York Education and Missionary Society.

5. Miscellaneous Business.

IV. The Bishop's Address shall be at any time in order.

V. When the report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read, and entered on the minutes, unless otherwise determined by the house. If accompanied with resolutions, the resolutions shall be separately considered.

VI. When a question is before the house, it shall be in order to postpone, divide, amend, or commit; and a motion for any one of these proceedings may be considered, precedence being taken in the order named.

VII. The votes by order, when called, shall be entered on the minutes; and they may be called, whenever desired by five members.

VIII. Before the rising of the Convention, the minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read and approved.

IX. The election of the Standing Committee and the Delegates to the General Convention, shall be the first business after the approval of the minutes, on the second day of meeting. Suitable boxes for balloting shall be provided by the Secretary.

X. On all questions of order, the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the house.

XI. The hours of each day's session shall be from 9, A. M., until 3, P. M.

XII. No member may speak more than twice on the same question, without leave of the house.

XIII. A question being decided, shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

XIV. The question of adjournment shall always be in order, and shall be put without debate.

XV. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the Chair.

XVI. Clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention, clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and Professors and Students of Theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

APPENDIX.

No. VII.

LIST OF CHURCHES IN THE DIOCESE OF NEW YORK.

y county,	Albany,	St. Paul's.
		St. Peter's.
	Cohoes,	St. John's.
	Rensselaerville,	Trinity.
	West Troy,	Trinity.
ny county,	Angelica,	St. Paul's.
	Hunt's Hollow,	St. Mark's.
ie county,	Binghamton,	Christ.
	Harpersville,	St. Luke's.
augus county,	Ellicottville,	St. John's.
	Olean,	St. Stephen's.
a county,	Auburn,	St. Peter's.
	Aurora,	St. Paul's.
	Moravia,	St. Matthew's.
auque county,	Forestville,	St. Peter's.
	Fredonia,	Trinity.
	Jamestown,	St. Luke's.
	Mayville,	St. Paul's.
	Westfield,	St. Peter's.
ing county,	Big Flats,	St. Paul's.
	Elmira,	Trinity.
	Jefferson,	St. James'.
	Johnson's Settlement,	St. John's.
ngo county,	Bainbridge,	St. Peter's.
	Coventry,	Trinity.
	Fayetteville,	Christ.
	Greene,	Zion.
	Mount Upton,	Grace.
	New Berlin,	St. Andrew's.
	Norwich,	Emmanuel.
	Oxford,	St. Paul's.
	Sherburne,	Christ.
n county,	Plattsburgh,	Trinity.
bia county,	Hudson,	Christ.
nd county,	Homer,	Calvary.
are county,	Delhi,	St. John's.
	Hobart,	St. Peter's.
	Walton,	Christ.
ess county,	Fishkill,	Trinity.
	Fishkill Landing,	St. Anna's.
	Hyde Park,	St. James'.
	Lithgow,	St. Peter's.
	Poughkeepsie,	Christ.
	Upper Red Hook,	St. Paul's.
	Wappinger's Creek,	Zion.

Erie county,	Auroraville, Black Rock, Buffalo,	St. Paul's. Grace. St. Paul's.
Franklin county,	Malone,	St. Mark's.
Genesee county,	Batavia, Le Roy, Sheldon, Wethersfield,	St. James'. St. Mark's. St. John's. St. Clement's.
Greene county,	Athens, Cairo, Catskill, Greenville, Oak Hill, Windham,	Trinity. Calvary. St. Luke's. Christ. St. Paul's. Trinity.
Herkimer county,	Fairfield, Little Falls, Mohawk, Norway,	Trinity. Emmanuel. St. Luke's. Grace.
Jefferson county,	Brownville, Pierrepoint Manor, Sacket's Harbor, Watertown,	St. Paul's. Zion. Christ. Trinity. Christ.
King's county,	Brooklyn,	St. Ann's. St. John's. St. Paul's. St. Peter's. Trinity.
	Flatbush, Fort Hamilton, Turin,	St. Paul's. St. John's. St. Paul's, with St. Paul's Chapel, Constableville.
Lewis county,	Dansville, Genesee, Mount Morris, West Avon,	St. Peter's. St. Michael's. St. John's. Zion.
Livingston county,	Hamilton, Perryville,	St. Thomas'. St. Stephens'.
Madison county,	Penfield, Rochester,	Trinity. Grace. St. Luke's.
Monroe county,	Johnstown, Port Jackson,	St. John's. St. Ann's.
Montgomery county,		All Saints'. Ascension. Calvary. Christ. Epiphany. Grace. Holy Evangelists. Nativity. St. Andrew's. St. Ann's. St. Bartholomew's. St. Clement's.
New York City and county,		

New York City and county,		St. Esprit. St. George's. St. James'. St. Luke's. St. Mark's. St. Mary's. St. Michael's. St. Peter's. St. Philip's. St. Stephen's. St. Thomas'. Trinity, with St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels.
Niagara county,	Lewiston, Lockport,	Zion. St. Paul's. Christ. Grace.
Oneida county,	Holland Patent, New Hartford, Oriskany, Paris, Rome, Utica,	St. Paul's. St. Stephen's. St. Peter's. St. Paul's. Zion. Trinity.
Onondaga county.	Fayetteville, Geddes, Jamesville, Manlius, Marcellus, Onondaga, Pompey, Skaneateles, Syracuse,	Trinity. Apostolic. St. Mark's. Christ. St. John's. Zion. Christ. St. James'. St. Paul's.
Ontario county,	Allen's Hill, Canandaigua, Centrefield, Geneva,	St. Paul's. St. John's. Trinity. Trinity.
Orange county,	Goshen, Newburgh, New Windsor, Walden,	St. James'. St. George's. St. Thomas'. St. Andrew's.
Orleans county,	Medina,	St. John's.
Oswego county,	Constantia, Fulton, Oswego,	Trinity. Zion. Christ.
Otsego county,	Burlington Flats, Cooperstown, Exeter, Gilbertsville, Louisville, Monticello, Otego, Unadilla,	Christ. Christ. St. John's. Christ. Zion, St. Luke's. Immanuel.
Putnam county,	Patterson, Phillipstown,	St. Matthew's. Christ. St. Philip's.

Queen's county,	Cold Spring Harbor,	St. John's.
	Cow Neck,	Christ.
	Flushing,	St. George's.
	Glen Cove,	St. Paul's.
	Hallett's Cove,	St. George's.
	Hempstead,	St. George's.
	Hempstead Harbor,	St. Mary's.
	Jamaica,	Grace.
	Little Neck,	Zion.
	Newtown,	St. James'.
Rensselaer county,	Lansingburgh,	Trinity.
	Troy,	St. John's.
Richmond county,	Richmond,	St. Paul's.
		St. Andrew's, with Trinity Chapel, Factoryville.
Saratoga county,	Tompkinsville,	St. Paul's.
	Ballston Spa,	Christ.
	Charlton,	St. Paul's.
	Mechanicville,	St. Luke's.
	Milton,	St. James'.
	Saratoga Springs,	Bethesda.
	Stillwater,	St. John's.
	Waterford,	Grace.
	West Charlton,	St. Mary's.
	Duanesburgh,	Christ.
Schenectady county,	Schenectady,	St. George's.
Seneca county,	Seneca Falls,	Trinity.
	Waterloo,	St. Paul's.
Steuben county,	Bath,	St. Thomas'.
	Hammond's Port.	St. James'.
St. Lawrence county,	Canton,	Grace.
	Morristown,	Christ.
	Ogdensburgh,	St. John's.
	Potsdam,	Trinity.
	Waddington,	St. Paul's.
	Huntington,	St. John's.
Suffolk county,	Islip,	St. John's.
	Setauket,	Caroline.
Sullivan county,	Monticello,	St. John's.
Tioga county,	Candor,	St. Mark's.
	Richford,	St. John's.
Tompkins county,	Danby,	Christ.
	Hector,	Trinity.
	Ithaca,	St. John's.
	McLean,	Zion.
Ulster county,	Kingston,	St. John's.
	Ulster,	Trinity.
Washington county,	Granville,	Trinity.
	Hampton,	Christ.
	Sandy Hill,	Zion.
Wayne county,	Palmyra,	Zion.
	Sodus,	St. John's.

Westchester county,	Bedford,	St. Matthew's.
	Eastchester,	St. Paul's.
	Greenburgh,	Zion.
	Mamaroneck,	St. Thomas'.
	New Rochelle,	Trinity.
	North Salem,	St. James'.
	Peekskill,	St. Peter's.
	Phillipsburgh,	St. John's with a Chap- el at Tuckahoe.
	Rye,	Christ.
	Sing Sing,	St. Paul's.
	Tarry Town,	Christ.
	Westchester,	St. Peter's.
	Whiteplains,	Grace.
Yates county,	Penn Yan,	St. Mark's.
		Total 223.

APPENDIX.

NO. VIII.

CHURCHES ADMITTED INTO UNION AT THIS CONVENTION.

St. Paul's,
Christ,
Immanuel,
Christ,
St. Mary's,
St. Paul's,
Grace,
St. Ann's,
Zion,
St. Paul's,
St. Peter's,
Calvary,

Flatbush,
Brooklyn,
Otego,
Tarrytown,
Hempstead Harbor,
Auroraville,
Canton,
Port Jackson,
Pierrepont Manor,
Aurora,
Forrestville,
City of New York.

Kings county.
" "
Otsego county.
Westchester county.
Queen's county.
Erie county.
St. Lawrence county.
Montgomery county.
Jefferson county.
Cayuga county.
Chautauque county.

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A. D. 1837.

TO WHICH IS PREFIXED,
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LIST OF THE CLERGY

OF

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- THE Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop, and Professor of the Nature, Ministry, and Polity of the Church in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.
- *Rev. Charles G. Acly, deacon, minister of Trinity Church, Watertown, Jefferson county.
- Rev. Norman H. Adams, rector of St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, Otsego county; and St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenango county.
- Rev. William Allanson, missionary at Medina, Orleans county.
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- Rev. George B. Andrews, rector of Zion Church, Wappinger's Creek, Dutchess county.
- Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D., rector of St. Mark's Church, New-York.
- Rev. Henry S. Attwater, missionary at Mount Morris, Livingston county.
- Rev. Deodatus Babcock, missionary at Ballston Spa, and Saratoga Springs, Saratoga county.
- Rev. Amos G. Baldwin, missionary at Mayville and Jamestown, Chautauque county.
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- *Rev. Liberty A. Barrows, missionary at Sherburne, Chenango county.
- Rev. Lewis Bayard, D. D., rector of St. Clement's Church, New-York.
- Rev. John Bayley, deacon, missionary at Richford, Tioga county, and McLean, Tompkins county.
- *Rev. Amos B. Beach, deacon, missionary at Walton, Delaware county.
- Rev. Seth W. Beardsley, missionary at Moravia, Cayuga county.
- Rev. Alva Bennett, principal of the Livingston county High School, Geneseo, Livingston county.
- Rev. Moses P. Bennet.
- Rev. William Berrian, D. D., rector of Trinity Church, including St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels, New-York.
- Rev. Moore Bingham, missionary at Hampton, Washington county.
- Rev. James A. Bolles, rector of St. James' Church, Batavia, Genesee county.
- Rev. Robert Bolton, deacon, minister of St. Paul's Church, Eastchester, Westchester county.
- Rev. William W. Bostick, rector of St. James' Church, Hammond's Port, and St. Thomas' Church, Bath, Steuben county.
- Rev. Charles W. Bradley.
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- Rev. George Bridgman.
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- *Rev. John W. Brown, deacon, minister of St. George's Church, Hallett's Cove, Queen's County.
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 *Rev. Richard Cox, rector of St. John's Church, Troy.
 Rev. William Creighton, D. D., rector of Zion Church, Greenburgh, and Christ Church, Tarrytown, Westchester county.
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 *Rev. William A. Curtis, rector of St. Thomas' Church, Mamaroneck, Westchester county.
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 Rev. Solomon Davis, missionary of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, to the Oneida Indians, Duck Creek, Wisconsin.
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- *Rev. Frederick I. Goodwin, Acting Professor of the Latin Language and Literature in the University of the city of New York.
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Rev. David Griffith, missionary at Morristown, St. Lawrence county.
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Rev. Charles W. Hackley, Professor of Mathematics in the University of the city of New-York.
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*Rev. Abram B. Hart, rector of St. Andrew's Church, New-York.
Rev. Samuel Haskell, residing at New Rochelle, Westchester county.
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Rev. Cicero S. Hawks, rector of Trinity Church, Buffalo,
Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., rector of St. Thomas' Church, New-York.
*Rev. Edward Y. Higbee, an assistant minister of Trinity Church, New-York.
Rev. Origen P. Holcomb, missionary at Windham, Greene county.
Rev. Herman Hooker.
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Rev. John Hughes, missionary at Gilbertville and Otego, Otsego county.
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Rev. David Huntington, rector of St. Peter's Church, Hobart, Delaware county.
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Rev. Pierre P. Irving, rector of Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario county.
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*Rev. Daniel V. M. Johnson, rector of Trinity Church, Brooklyn.
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*Rev. William L. Johnson, rector of Grace Church, Jamaica, Queen's county.
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*Rev. Henry Lockwood, missionary of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, to China.
*Rev. William Lucas, rector of St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga county.
Rev. Charles Luck.
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Rev. Charles M'Cabe, rector of St. James' Church, Milton, Saratoga county.
Rev. Archibald T. M'Callum, deacon.
Rev. John M'Carty, rector of Christ Church, Oswego, Oswego county.
Rev. Stephen M'Hugh, missionary at Holland Patent and Oriskany, Oneida county.
Rev. John M'Vickar, D. D. Professor of Moral and Intellectual Philosophy and Political Economy, in Columbia College, New-York.

List of the Clergy

- *Rev. Thomas Mallaby, deacon, minister of St. James' Church, Goshen, Orange county.
- *Rev. Solon W. Manney, deacon, Minister of the Church of the Nativity, New-York.
- Rev. Moses Marcus, rector of St. Mary's Church, Hempstead Harbor, Queen's county.
- Rev. Thomas Meachem, missionary at Centrefield, Ontario county.
- *Rev. Edward N. Mead, rector of St. Paul's Church, and chaplain to the New-York State Prison, Sing Sing, Westchester county.
- *Rev. John F. Messenger, rector of St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn.
- Rev. Kendrick Metcalf, rector of St. Mark's Church, Leroy, Genesee county.
- Rev. George Mills, deacon, minister of St. Timothy's Church, New-York.
- Rev. James Milnor, D. D., rector of St. George's Church, New-York.
- Rev. Timothy Minor, missionary at Port Jackson, Montgomery county, and West Charlton, Saratoga county.
- Rev. David Moore, rector of St. Andrew's Church, Richmond, including Trinity Chapel, Factoryville, Richmond county.
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- Rev. William A. Muhlenberg, D. D., principal of the Institute at Flushing, Queen's county.
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- Rev. William W. Niles, officiating for a congregation of colored persons, New-York.
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- Rev. Beardsley Northrop, residing near Lockport, Niagara county.
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- Rev. Amos Pardee.
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- Rev. Henry Peck, rector of St. Paul's Church, Paris Hill, Oneida county.
- Rev. Isaac Peck, assistant minister of Christ Church, New York.
- Rev. Marcus A. Perry, residing at New Hartford, Oneida county.
- *Rev. Hewlet R. Peters.
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- Rev. Samuel Phinney, Principal of an Academy, Newburgh, Orange county.
- *Rev. Guy R. Pinching, deacon.
- *Rev. George S. Porter, residing at Fredonia, Chautauque county.
- Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., Professor of Moral Philosophy and Belles Lettres, in Union College, Schenectady.
- Rev. Horatio Potter, rector of St. Peter's Church, Albany.
- Rev. Jesse Pound, rector of Christ Church, Manlius, Onondaga county.
- Rev. William Powell, rector of St. Peter's Church, Westchester, and Principal of an Academy, West Farms, Westchester county.
- Rev. Nathaniel O. Preston, missionary at Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer county.
- Rev. Augustine P. Prevost, rector of St. John's Church, Canandaigua, Ontario county.
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- *Rev. Henry H. Prout, missionary at Cairo, Greene county.
- Rev. Pierre Alexis Proal, rector of Trinity Church, Utica.
- Rev. Thomas Pyne.
- Rev. Joseph Ransom, rector of St. John's Church, Johnstown, Montgomery county.
- Rev. John Reed, D. D. rector of Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county.
- Rev. Thomas C. Reed, Professor in Union College, Schenectady.
- Rev. James C. Richmond, rector of St. Michael's, St. James', and St. Mary's Churches, New York.
- Rev. William Richmond, rector of Zion Church, New York.
- *Rev. Ferdinand Rogers, deacon, minister of St. Paul's Church, Brownville, Jefferson county.
- Rev. Seth S. Rogers, missionary at Fayetteville, Chenango county.

- Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D. Editor of the Gospel Messenger, Utica.
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Rev. Gilbert H. Sayers, residing at Jamaica, Queen's county.
Rev. John Frederick Schroeder, D. D., an assistant minister of Trinity Church, New-York.
Rev. Charles Seabury, missionary at Setauket and Islip, Suffolk county.
Rev. Samuel Seabury, D. D., Editor of the Churchman, New-York.
Rev. Robert Shaw, rector of St. Andrew's Church, Walden, Orange county, and Christ Church, Marlborough, Ulster county.
*Rev. George A. Shelton, rector of St. James' Church, Newtown, Queen's county.
*Rev. William Shelton, rector of St. Paul's Church, Buffalo, Erie county.
Rev. Isaac Sherwood, missionary at Coldspring Harbour, Queen's county.
Rev. Reuben Sherwood, rector of St. James' Church, Hyde Park, Dutchess county.
Rev. Richard C. Shimeall.
*Rev. Aldert Smedes, jun. rector of St. George's Church, Schenectady.
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Rev. Lucius Smith, missionary at Fredonia, Chautauque county.
Rev. Orasmus H. Smith, rector of Zion Church, Louisville, Otsego county.
Rev. Richard Smith, missionary at Elmira, Chemung county.
Rev. Erasmus Spalding, missionary at Vienna, Ontario county, and Sodus, Wayne county.
Rev. William Staunton, Special Agent of the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, New-York.
Rev. Cyrus Stebbins, D. D., missionary at Waterford, Saratoga county, and Cohoes, Albany county.
Rev. James O. Stokes, residing near Medina, Orleans county.
*Rev. Henry L. Storrs, rector of St. Philip's Church, Phillipstown, Putnam county.
Rev. James Sunderland.
Rev. James M. Tappan.
Rev. William Tatham, missionary at Fairfield, Herkimer county.
Rev. Thomas H. Taylor, D. D. rector of Grace Church, New-York.
*Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck, deacon, minister of St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, Dutchess county.
Rev. Foster Thayer, missionary at Waterloo, Seneca county.
*Rev. Lewis Thibou, jun. rector of Trinity Church, Athens, Greene county.
Rev. William B. Thomas, rector of Christ Church, Duaneburg, Schenectady county.
Rev. James Thompson, missionary at Durham, Greene county.
Rev. Frederick T. Tiffany, rector of Christ Church, Cooperstown, Otsego county.
Rev. Francis T. Todrig.
Rev. Amos G. Treadway, missionary at Sacket's Harbour, Jefferson county.
Rev. Francis Tremayne.
*Rev. Henry Tullidge, missionary at Seneca Falls, Seneca county.
Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D. D., Professor of Biblical Learning and the Interpretation of Scripture, in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.
Rev. John V. Van Ingen, missionary at Greene, Chenango county.
*Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, rector of St. George's Church, Flushing, Queen's county.
Rev. John A. Vaughan, Secretary and General Agent of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.
Rev. Antoine Verren, rector of the French Church Du St. Esprit, and Professor of the French Language and Literature in Columbia College, New-York.
Rev. Gershom P. Waldo, deacon.
*Rev. William F. Walker, rector of Christ Church, Troy.
*Rev. William H. Walter, rector of St. Paul's Church, Tompkinsville, Richmond county.
Rev. Thomas Warner, Chaplain and Professor of Moral Philosophy in the United States Military Academy, West Point.
Rev. Nathaniel Watkins, Missionary at Pierrepont Manor, Jefferson county.
Rev. William M. Weber, M. D., residing at Peterborough, Madison county.
Rev. Russel Wheeler, residing at Butternuts, Otsego county.

List of the Clergy

Rev. Phineas L. Whipple, rector of Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county.

*Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., rector of St. Luke's Church, Rochester, Monroe county.

*Rev. Marshall Whiting, missionary at Onondaga Hill and Geddes, Onondaga county.

*Rev. William R. Whittingham, D. D., St. Mark's Church in the Bowery Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.

Rev. Eleazar Williams, deacon.

Rev. Peter Williams, (a colored man,) rector of St. Philip's Church, New-York, the congregation of which is composed of colored persons.

*Rev. Lloyd Windsor.

Rev. Gordon Winslow,

Rev. William Withington, Deacon.—Total 239.

LIST OF THE CLERGY WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D.

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 John Brown.
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 Clement M. Butler.
 Robert Campbell.
 James D. Carder.
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 Orange Clark.
 James P. F. Clarke.
 Joseph H. Coit.
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 Reuben Hubbard.
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 William L. Johnson.
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 Lot Jones.
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 Ravaud Kearny.
 Ezra B. Kellogg.
 Charles V. Kelly.
 William I. Kip.
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 Thomas Lyell, D. D.
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 Solon W. Manney.
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 John McVickar, D. D.
 Moses Marcus.
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Rev. John F. Messenger.
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 George Mills.
 James Milnor, D. D.
 Timothy Minor.
 Samuel Nichols.
 William P. Page.
 Isaac Pardee.
 Isaac Peck.
 Joseph F. Phillips.
 Alonzo Potter, D. D.
 Horatio Potter.
 Jesse Pound.
 William Powell.
 Nathaniel O. Preston.
 Augustine P. Prevost.
 Joseph H. Price.
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 Joseph Ransom.
 John Reed, D. D.
 James C. Richmond.
 William Richmond.
 Seth S. Rogers.
 John F. Schroeder, D. D.

Rev Charles Seabury.
 Samuel Seabury, D. D.
 Robert Shaw.
 George A. Shelton.
 William Shelton.
 Isaac Sherwood.
 Renben Sherwood.
 Aldert Smedes.
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 Henry L. Storrs.
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 Anthony Ten Broeck.
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 Samuel H. Turner, D. D.
 John V. Van Ingen.
 Robert B. Van Kleeck.
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 William F. Walker.
 William H. Walter.
 Phineas L. Whipple,
 Marshall Whiting.
 William R. Whittingham, D.D.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

Albany county. Albany, St. Paul's Church, Homer R. Phelps, Peter S. Staats,
 Peter V. Shankland, Jr.
Broome county. Binghamton, Christ Church, Augustus Morgan.
Cayuga county. Auburn, St. Peter's Church, H. Burt, S. A. Goodwin.
Clinton county. Plattsburg, Trinity Church, James Bailey.
Columbia county. Hudson, Christ Church, James Fleming, Cyrus Curtis, Jr.
Delaware county. Delhi, St. John's Church, Horace Drake.
 Walton, Christ Church, Thomas Noble.
Dutchess county. Fishkill Landing, St. Anna's Church, James S. Rumsey.
 Hyde Park, St. James' Church, Ephraim Holbrook, William W. Woodworth.
 Poughkeepsie, Christ Church, William I. Belden.
 St. Paul's Church, George P. Oakley, P. Potter, H. Veltman.
 Red Hook, St. Paul's Church, Edward P. Livingston, Lownds Brown.
 Wappinger's Creek, Zion Church, Henry Mesier.
Genesee county. Batavia, St. James' Church, Chipman P. Turner.
Greene county. Catskill, St. Luke's Church, Jacob Haight, Charles C. W.
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Herkimer county. Little Falls, Emmanuel Church, Christopher Smith.
King's county. Brooklyn, Christ Church, Noel J. Becar.
 St. Ann's Church, Thomas J. Chew, David B. Douglass, William Betts.
 St. John's Church, James Whitehouse, Lozee Van Nostrand, Ezekiel
 Ostrander.
 St. Mary's Church, John Hammell.
 St. Paul's Church, John Low.
 Trinity Church, L. N. Dellicker.
 Flatbush, St. Paul's Church, Matthew Clarkson, David Johnson.
 Williamsburgh, St. Mark's Church, Ephraim Cook.
Livingston county. Mount Morris, St. John's Church, William B. Rogers.
Monroe county. Rochester, Grace Church, Hiram Leonard.
 St. Luke's Church, John T. Talman, John Caldwell.

- New York city and county.** All Saints' Church, John B. Hunter, Elisha L. Walton.
 Church of the Ascension, Peter A. Jay, Joseph Pettit, Murray Hoffman.
 Calvary Church, Giles Bushnell, William H. Hobart, Isaac O. Kendall, Charles Taylor.
 Christ Church, Joseph Ketchum, Matthew Keeler, William M. Price, G. P. Pollen.
 Grace Church, Edward R. Jones, Thomas L. Wells, Isaac A. Johnson.
 Church of the Nativity, Henry Dexter.
 St. Bartholomew's Church, Samuel Jones, M. M. Quackenboss, J. W. Mersereau.
 St. Clement's Church, Samuel B. Romaine, Samuel M. Thompson, John W. Taylor, William S. Pollen.
 St. Esprit, Lewis Loutrel, Gulian C. Verplanck.
 St. George's Church, John Stearns, William Whitlock, Jr., Brittain L. Woolley.
 St. James' Church, Edward W. Dunham.
 St. Luke's Church, Henry Ritter, Charles N. S. Rowland, John R. Satterlee, Floyd Smith.
 St. Mark's Church, John L. Lawrence, Hamilton Fish, Wheaton Bradish.
 St. Mary's Church, Nicholas Tieman.
 St. Michael's Church, James F. De Peyster, James McDonald.
 St. Peter's Church, Clement C. Moore, Reuben Spencer.
 St. Stephen's Church, Foster Nostrand, Daniel Mersereau.
 St. Timothy's Church, John Brennesholtz, James D. Fitch.
 St. Thomas' Church, Isaac Lawrence, David Hadden, William Jephson.
 Trinity Church, Thomas L. Ogden, Nehemiah Rogers, Benjamin M. Brown, William Johnson.
 Zion Church, Frederick Pentz, Smith Barker, John Graff, William Thorn.
Oneida county. *New Hartford*, St. Stephen's Church, Andrew Hull.
Onondaga county. *Manlius*, Christ Church, Elijah E. May.
Onondaga, Zion Church, Charles D. Easton.
Syracuse, St. Paul's Church, Cyrus Ames.
Ontario county. *Geneva*, Trinity Church, William S. De Zeng.
Orange county. *Goshen*, St. James' Church, Henry G. Wisner.
Newburgh, St. George's Church, Frederick T. Betts, Julius Hale, Thomas A. Powell.
New Windsor, St. Thomas' Church, Charles Ludlow.
Walden, St. Andrew's Church, Thomas Colden, George Weller.
Oswego county. *Oswego*, Christ Church, James Cochran.
Otsego county. *Louiseville*, Zion Church, Jacob Morris.
Putnam county. *Patterson*, Christ Church, Frederick Stone.
Queen's county. *Cold Spring Harbor*, St. John's Church, Walter R. Jones.
Flushing, St. George's Church, William Mitchell.
Glen Cove, St. Paul's Church, Oliver Coles, Willett Weeks.
Hallett's Cove, St. George's Church, Robert M. Blackwell, Charles H. Roach.
Hempstead, St. George's Church, Lewis Bushman, George Van Nostrand, C. Van Wyck.
Jamaica, Grace Church, John Skidmore, Walter Nichols.
Newtown, St. James' Church, John Waters.
North Hempstead, Christ Church, Whitehead Hewlett, Samuel L. Hewlett, Isaac U. Townsend, D. E. Smith.
Rensselaer county. *Troy*, Christ Church, Ralph B. Roberts, Josiah Bouton.
 St. John's Church, Francis Mana.
 St. Paul's Church, Stephen Warren, John D. Dickinson.
Richmond county. *Richmond*, St. Andrew's Church, James Guyon, Nathaniel Britton.
Tompkinsville, St. Paul's Church, R. S. Cary, H. Drieler, A. Gordon.
Saratoga county. *Waterford*, Grace Church, John Knickerbacker.
St. Lawrence county. *Ogdensburg*, St. John's Church, Henry Van Rensselaer.

Schenectady county. *Schenectady*, St. George's Church, William McCamus.
Ulster county. *Kingston*, St. John's Church, John H. Rutzer, Benjamin F. Vallet.
Marlborough, Christ Church, Thomas Fyfe, Leonard S. Carpenter.
Washington county. *Granville*, Trinity Church, William Graves.
Hampton, Christ Church, Eleazer Lyman.
Westchester county. *Bedford*, St. Matthew's Church, George W. Miller, William Husted.
Eastchester, St. Paul's Church, Robert Bartow.
Greenburgh, Zion Church, George Jones, Washington Irving.
Mamaroneck, St. Thomas' Church, Garrit Vermilyea.
New Rochelle, Trinity Church, Asa Whitney.
North Salem, St. James' Church, Joshua Purdy.
Phillipsburgh, St. John's Church, William C. Waring, James H. Blackwell.
Rye, Christ Church, Hackaliah Brown.
Tarry Town, Christ Church, Nathaniel B. Holmes.
Westchester, St. Peter's Church, Francis Barretto, Richard L. Hunt.
Whiteplains, Grace Church, Jonathan Purdy.

The following gentlemen of the Clergy, entitled to seats, were not present at the Convention :—

Rev. Charles G. Acly,
 Norman H. Adams,
 William Allanson,
 Henry S. Attwater,
 Amos G. Baldwin,
 William Barlow,
 Liberty A. Barrows,
 John Bayley,
 Seth W. Beardsley,
 Alva Bennett,
 Moore Bingham,
 William W. Bostwick,
 Lucius Carter,
 Joseph T. Clark,
 Edward Davis,
 George B. Engle,
 Colley A. Foster,
 John M. Garfield,
 Isaac Garvin,
 John D. Gilbert,
 Frederick J. Goodwin,
 David Griffith,
 Benjamin Hale, D. D.,

Rev. Aaron Humphrey,
 Nathaniel Huse,
 Hiram Jelliff,
 James Keeler,
 Thomas Meachem,
 David Moore,
 Thomas Morris,
 George H. Norton,
 Henry Peck,
 Thomas C. Reed,
 Ferdinand Rogers,
 Lucius Smith,
 William Tatham,
 Foster Thayer,
 William B. Thomas,
 James Thompson,
 Frederick T. Tiffany,
 Amos C. Treadway,
 Henry Tullidge,
 Thomas Warner,
 Nathaniel Watkins,
 Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D.

The following gentlemen of the Clergy, not entitled to seats as members, were present at the sittings of the Convention.

Rt. Rev. John H. Hopkins D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Vermont.
 Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D., of Massachusetts.
 William H. DeLancey, D. D., of Pennsylvania.
 Samuel Ashton Warner, of New Jersey.
 Edmund D. Barry, D. D., of New Jersey.
 William Staunton, of New York.



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NEW-YORK, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1837.

THIS being the day fixed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York, for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the same, the Right Rev. Benjamin Tredwell Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, with a large number of the Clergy and Laity, assembled at 10 o'clock, A. M., in Trinity Church, in the City of New-York, the place appointed by the Bishop for the meeting.

Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Francis H. Cuming, assisted by the Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, and a sermon was preached by the Rev. William Shelton. The Bishop then administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, in which he was assisted by the Right Rev. Bishop Hopkins of Vermont, and the Rev Dr. Milnor and Rev. Mr. Fuller.

The Convention was then called to order by the Bishop, and on motion, it was

Resolved, That the Right Rev. Bishop Hopkins, of Vermont, be invited to attend the sittings of this Convention, and that a chair be provided for him on the right of the President;—Whereupon the Bishop of Vermont was introduced by the President and took his seat.

The Secretary of the last Convention then proceeded, under the Bishop's direction, to call the names of such of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York, as by the Constitution are entitled to seats in the Convention; when the following gentlemen answered to their names and took their seats as members: viz.—

Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., the Rev. George B. Andrews, Henry Anthon, D. D., Deodatus Babcock, Lewis P. Bayard, D. D., Amos B. Beach, William Berrian, D. D., James A. Bolles, Robert Bolton, Johnson A. Brayton, Thomas S. Brittan, John Brown, Nathan B. Burgess, Leverett Bush, Clement M. Butler, Robert Campbell, James D. Carder, William M. Carmichael, Lawson Carter, Peter S. Chauncey, Orange

Clark, James P. F. Clarke, Joseph H. Coit, James W. Cooke, William C. Cooley, Richard Cox, William A. Curtis, William Creighton, D. D., Alexander H. Crosby, Francis H. Cuming, Benjamin C. Cutler, D. D., Samuel C. Davis, George Dennison, Jacob W. Diller, John Dowdney, jr., Manton Eastburn, D. D., Edmund Embury, Benjamin Evans, John M. Forbes, Edward K. Fowler, Samuel Fuller, Kingston Goddard, Henry Gregory, Charles W. Hackley, Benjamin I. Haight, Robert W. Harris, Abram B. Hart, Frederick W. Hatch, Francis L. Hawks, D. D., Edward Y. Higbee, Origen P. Holcomb, Reuben Hubbard, John Hughes, David Huntington, Pierre P. Irving, Daniel V. M. Johnson, Evan M. Johnson, William L. Johnson, Charles Jones, Lot Jones, Thomas S. Judd, Charles V. Kelly, William I. Kipp, William Lucas, Thomas Lyell, D. D., Thomas Mallaby, Solon W. Manney, Charles McCabe, John McCarty, Stephen McHugh, Edward N. Mead, James Milnor, D. D., Timothy Minor, Samuel Nichols, William P. Page, Isaac Pardee, Isaac Peck, Joseph F. Philips, Alonzo Potter, D. D., Horatio Potter, Jesse Pound, William Powell, Nathaniel O. Preston, Augustine P. Prevost, Joseph H. Price, Pierre A. Proal, Henry H. Prout, Joseph Ransom, John Reed, D. D., James C. Richmond, William Richmond, Seth S. Rogers, John F. Schroeder, D. D., Charles Seabury, Robert Shaw, William Shelton, Isaac Sherwood, Reuben Sherwood, Aldert Smedes, Orsamus H. Smith, Henry L. Storrs, Thomas H. Taylor, D. D., Anthony Ten Broeck, Lewis Thibou, jr., Samuel H. Turner, D. D., John V. Van Ingen, Robert B. Van Kleeck, Antoine Verren, William H. Walter, Phineas L. Whipple, Marshall Whiting, William R. Whittingham, D. D.

The Churches of the Diocese were then called in order, when the following gentlemen appeared as Lay Delegates, and took their seats: viz. from

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Albany,	St. Paul's, Albany,	Homer R. Phelps.
Broome,	Christ, Binghamton,	Augustus Morgan.
Cayuga,	St. Peter's, Auburn,	H. Burt,
Columbia,	Christ, Hudson,	James Fleming.
		Cyrus Curtis, Jun.
Delaware,	St. John's, Delhi,	Horace Drake.
	Christ, Walton,	Thomas Noble.
Dutchess,	St. Anna's, Fishkill Land-	
	[ing, James S. Rumsey.	
	St. James, Hyde Park,	Ephraim Holbrook.
		William W. Woodworth.
	Christ, Poughkeepsie,	William T. Belden.
	St. Paul's, Poughkeepsie,	George P. Oakley.
		P. Potter.
		H. Vettman.
	St. Paul's, Red Hook,	Edward P. Livingston

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
one,	St. Luke's, Catskill,	Jacob Haight. Charles C. W. Cleveland. Smith W. Bullock.
kimer,	Emmanuel, Little Falls,	Christopher Smith.
gs,	Christ, Brooklyn,	Noel J. Becar.
	St. Ann's, "	Thomas J. Chew. David B. Douglas. William Betts.
	St. John's, "	James Whitehouse. Lozee Van Nostrand. Ezekiel Ostrander.
	St. Paul's, "	John Low.
	Trinity, "	L. N. Dellicker.
	St. Paul's, Flatbush,	Matthew Clarkson. David Johnson.
ngston,	St. John's, Mount Morris,	William B. Rogers.
roe,	St. Luke's, Rochester,	John T. Talman. John Caldwell.
r-York,	All Saints', New-York,	John B. Hunter. Elisha L. Walton.
	Ascension, "	Peter A. Jay. Joseph Pettit.
	Calvary, "	Giles Bushnell. Wm. H. Hobart. Charles Taylor.
	Christ, "	Joseph Ketchum, Matthew Keeler.
	Grace, "	William M. Price. Edward R. Jones. Thomas L. Wells.
	Nativity, "	Isaac A. Johnson. Henry Dexter.
	St. Bartholomew, "	Samuel Jones. M. M. Quackenboss. J. W. Mersereau.
	St. Clement, "	Samuel B. Romaine. Samuel M. Thompson.
	St. Esprit, "	John W. Taylor. Louis Loutrel.
	St. George's, "	Gulian C. Verplanck. John Stearns.
	St. James, "	William Whitlock, jr. B. L. Woolley.
	St. Luke's, "	Edward W. Dunham. Henry Ritter.
	St. Mark's, "	C. N. S. Rowland. John A. Satterlee. John L. Lawrence.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
New-York,	St. Mary's, New-York,	Nicholas Tieman.
	St. Michael's, "	James F. Depeyster.
		James Macdonald.
	St. Peter's, "	Clement C. Moore.
	St. Stephen's, "	Foster Nostrand.
		Daniel Mersereau.
	St. Thomas', "	Isaac Lawrence.
		David Hadden.
		William H. Jephson.
	Trinity, "	Thomas L. Ogden.
Oneida, Onondaga,		Nehemiah Rogers.
		Benjamin M. Brown.
		William Johnson.
		Frederick Pentz.
		Smith Barker.
		John Graff.
	St. Stephen's, N. Hartford,	Andrew Hull.
	Christ, Manlius,	Elijah E. May.
	Zion, Onondaga,	Charles D. Easton.
	St. Paul's, Syracuse,	Silas Ames.
Ontario, Orange,	Trinity, Geneva,	William S. De Zeng.
	St. George's, Newburgh,	Frederick I. Betts.
		Julius Hale.
		Thomas A. Powell.
	St. Thomas', N. Windsor,	Charles Ludlow.
	St. Andrew's, Walden,	Thomas Colden.
	Christ, Oswego,	James Cochran.
	Zion, Louisville,	Jacob Morris.
	Christ, Patterson,	Frederick Stone.
	St. Paul's, Glen Cove,	Oliver Coles.
Oswego, Otsego, Putnam, Queen's,		Willett Weeks.
	St. George's, Hempstead,	Lewis Rushman.
		George Van Nostrand.
		C. Van Wyck.
	Grace, Jamaica,	John Skidmore.
		Walter Nichols.
	Christ, North Hempstead,	Whitehead Hewlett.
		Samuel L. Hewlett.
	St. Paul's, Troy,	Stephen Warren.
		John D. Dickinson.
Rensselaer,		John D. Dickinson.
		R. S. Cary.
Richmond,	St. Paul's, Tompkinsville,	H. Drisler.
		A. Gordon.
Saratoga, St. Lawrence, Washington, Westchester,	Grace, Waterford,	John Knickerbacker.
	St. John's, Ogdensburgh,	Henry Van Rensselaer.
	Trinity, Granville,	William Graves.
	St. Matthew's, Bedford,	George W. Miller.
		William Husted.
	St. Paul's, Eastchester,	Robert Bartow.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Westchester,	Zion, Greenburgh,	George Jones. Washington Irving.
	St. Thomas, Mamaroneck,	Garrit Vermilyea.
	Trinity, New Rochelle,	Asa Whitney.
	St. James', North Salem,	Joshua Purdy.
	St. John's, Phillipsburg,	William C. Waring.
	Christ, Tarrytown,	Nathaniel B. Holmes.
	St. Peter's, Westchester,	Francis Barretto. Richard L. Hunt.
	Grace, Whiteplains,	Jonathan Purdy.

The Convention then proceeded to the appointment of a Secretary. A vote by ballot was, on motion, unanimously dispensed with, when the Rev. Dr. Hawks was nominated and appointed.

It being inconvenient to the former assistant, the Rev. Mr. Cuming, to act longer in that capacity, the Secretary appointed the Rev. Benjamin I. Haight his assistant.

The Chair then announced the following Standing Committees ;

On the Incorporation of Churches,

Thomas L. Ogden, Esq., Rev. Dr. Reed, and Samuel Jones, Esq.

On the Diocesan Fund,

Rev. Dr. Bayard, Rev. O. H. Smith, Charles N. S. Rowland, and Oliver Coles, Esqs.

On the Treasurer's Report,

Edward P. Livingston, Matthew Clarkson, and Clement C. Moore, Esqrs.

On the Theological Seminary,

Rev. Dr. Creighton, Rev. Mr. Proal, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Stephen Warren, and Dr. McDonald.

On motion of Dr. Hawks, *Resolved*, That the present Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, representing this Diocese, who are still resident therein, be continued in office ; and that the Standing Committee on the Theological Seminary report the names of other suitable persons to the number allowed by the Constitution of the Seminary to be elected, for nomination to the approaching General Convention, as Trustees of the Seminary on the part of this Diocese.

The hour of adjournment, according to the rules of order, having arrived, the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 6, 9 o'CLOCK, A. M.

The Convention met. Morning Prayers were read by the Rev. Dr. Creighton, after which the Bishop took the chair.

At the calling of the roll, the following clergymen not present yesterday answered to their names, viz. Rev. Alexander Frazer, Ravaud Kearney, Ezra B. Kellogg, John F. Messenger, and Erasmus Spalding. Also the following Lay Delegates;

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Albany,	St. Paul's, Albany,	Peter S. Staats, Peter V. Shankland.
Clinton,	Trinity, Plattsburg,	James Bailey.
Dutchess,	St. Paul's, Red Hook,	Lownds Brown.
Genesee,	St. James', Batavia,	Chipman P. Turner.
Monroe,	Grace, Rochester,	Hiram Leonard.
New-York,	Ascension, New-York,	Murray Hoffman.
	Calvary, "	Isaac O. Kendall.
	Christ, "	G. P. Pollen.
	St. Clement's, "	William S. Popham.
	St. Luke's, "	Floyd Smith.
	St. Mark's, "	Hamilton Fish,
		Wheaton Bradish.
	St. Peter's, "	Reuben Spencer.
	Zion, "	William Thorn.
Orange,	St. Andrew's, Walden,	George Weller.
Queen's,	St. George's, Flushing,	William Mitchell.
	Christ, North Hempstead,	Isaac U. Townsend.
		D. E. Smith,
Rensselaer,	St. John's, Troy,	Francis Mann.
Richmond,	St. Andrew's, Richmond,	James Guyon,
		Nathaniel Britton.
Westchester,	St. John's, Phillipsburgh,	James H. Blackwell.

The following gentlemen then presented certificates, answered to their names, and took their seats :

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Cayuga,	St. Peter's, Auburn,	S. A. Goodwin.
Dutchess,	Zion, Wappinger's Creek,	Henry Mesier.
Orange,	St. James', Goshen,	Henry G. Wisner.
Queen's,	St. James', Newtown,	John Waters.
Schenectady,	St. George's, Schenectady,	William M'Camus.
Ulster,	St. John's, Kingston,	John H. Rutzer,
		Benjamin F. Vallet.
Washington,	Christ, Hampton,	Eleazer Lyman.
Westchester,	Christ, Rye,	Hackaliah Brown.

The Bishop announced, that by the 16th Standing Rule of Order, all clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not of the Diocese of New-York, and all Theological Students of the Church, were entitled to be present at the sittings of the Convention, and several gentlemen belonging to these two classes accordingly attended the meetings of the House.

The Report of the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate was presented and laid upon the table.

The 9th Rule of Order was suspended, to receive and act upon the Report of the Committee on the Incorporation of Churches.

The following Report was accordingly presented :

The Committee to whom was referred the certificates of the incorporation of churches, claiming to be admitted into union with the Convention, respectfully report :—

That on examining the certificates which have been submitted to them, they find the following churches to have been regularly incorporated according to law, viz :— St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn, Kings county ; Christ Church, in the city of Troy ; Christ Church, at Oyster Bay, Long Island ; St. John's Church, Cold Spring, Long Island ; St. George's Church, Hallett's Cove, Long Island ; St. Timothy's Church, in the city of New York ; Christ Church, Marlborough, Ulster county ; Trinity Church, city of Buffalo, Erie county ; Grace Church, Lockport, Niagara county ; St. Mark's Church, Penn Yan, Yates county ; St. Paul's Church, Pleasant Valley, Dutchess county ; St. Mark's Church, Williamsburgh, Kings county. The certificate of the proceedings to incorporate St. John's Church, at Port Ontario in Oswego county, not being recorded, the Committee are of opinion that there is not sufficient evidence of their actual incorporation.

In the case of the Church of the Messiah, in the city of New York, it does not appear that the meeting of the congregation was called for the purpose of incorporating themselves, which the Committee deem to be essential.

In the two last cases the Committee are of opinion that the certificates of incorporation are defective.

In the certificate of St. John's Church, Cold Spring, the name of one of the wardens is repeated among those of the vestrymen. This the Committee deem to have been a mere clerical error, not affecting the regularity of the incorporation.

All which is respectfully submitted.

T. L. OGDEN,
JOHN REED,
S. JONES.

New York, October 6th, 1837.

The question being put separately upon the admission into union with this Convention, of each of the Churches reported by the Committee to be regularly incorporated, they were received by the Convention, and the Rev. John W. Brown, Minister of St. George's Church, Hallett's Cove ; the Rev. George Dennison, Rector of Grace Church, Lockport ; the Rev. Cicero S. Hawks, Rector of Trinity Church, Buffalo ; the Rev. John F. Messenger, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn ; the Rev. George Mills, Rector of St. Timothy's Church, New York ; the Rev. William Morris, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Williamsburgh ; and the Rev. William F. Walker, Rector of Christ Church, Troy ; appeared and took their seats. The following gentlemen of the Laity also appeared as Delegates :

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Kings,	St. Mary's, Brooklyn,	John Hammell.
"	St. Mark's, Williamsburg,	Ephraim Cook.
New York,	St. Timothy,	John Brennessholtz.
		James D. Fitch.
Queens,	St. George's, Hallett's	{ Robert M. Blackwell.
	Cove,	{ Charles H. Roach.
"	St. John's, Cold Spring	
	Harbor,	Walter R. Jones.
Rensselaer,	Christ, Troy,	Ralph B. Roberts,
		Josiah Bouton.
Ulster,	Christ, Marlborough,	Thomas Fyfe.
		Leonard S. Carpenter.

The House then proceeded to the election of a Standing Committee for the ensuing year; and the following gentlemen were elected: Rev. Drs. Lyell, Berrian, McVickar, and Hawks, of the Clergy; and T. L. Ogden, William A. Duer, William Johnson, and Floyd Smith, Esqrs. of the Laity.

The House then went into the election of Delegates to the General Convention; when the following gentlemen were elected: viz. Drs. Lyell, Milnor, Anthon, and Hawks, of the Clergy; and P. A. Jay, T. L. Ogden, Stephen Warren, and James Emott, Esqrs. of the Laity.

The Secretary announced the resignation of Mr. H. Van Wageningen, as one of the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate, which was, upon motion, accepted, and Mr. Wm. H. Harison was appointed in his stead.

The Report of the Trustees of the Fund for the Support of the Episcopate was then called up and read as follows:

The Trustees of the Fund for the Support of the Episcopate in the Diocese of New York, respectfully report:—

That the fund amounted, 1st October, 1836, agreeably to their report of that date, to - - - - - \$68,542 62

And interest due thereon and uncollected - - - - - \$1552 66

They have since received the following sums:—

Cash for interest,	- - - - -	5517 64	
Do. from C. N. S. Rowland, Esq. Treasurer of Convention,	- - - - -	344 81	
Do. Collection in All Saints' Church,	- - - - -	8 75	
Do. From Corporation of Trinity Church,	- - - - -	30,000 00	35871 20

104,413 82

And have paid Bishop Onderdonk, 10 months' salary, commencing 1st December last, - - - - - 5,900 00

99,113 82

Interest accrued to 1st October, 1837, - - - - - 2,619 16

Total amount of fund, - - - - - \$101,732 98

The securities held for the above, are	
Bonds and Mortgages on Real Estate in this City, at 7 per ct. interest,	56,000 00
Bond on the Corporation of Trinity Church, - - - -	42,250 00
Cash, a temporary loan paid in this day, - - - -	863 82

\$99,113 82

H. VAN WAGENEN,
WILLIAM JOHNSON,
EDWARD R. JONES,
THOMAS SWORDS.

New York, 28th September, 1837.

The Rev. Dr. Milnor presented the Report of the Committee on the proposed alterations of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, which was on motion laid on the table.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Schröder, *Resolved*, That when the House adjourn, it adjourn to meet at 6 o'clock this evening.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Hawks, *Resolved*, That the election of Supplemental Delegates to the General Convention, be postponed until the evening session.

The Bishop then, in compliance with the Canon, delivered the following

ADDRESS.

MY BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY,—

I trust I shall be excused for commencing this my Annual Conventional Address with a topic apparently personal, but in reality connected with the great general interests of our Church and Diocese. In the good providence of God, the event, long anxiously anticipated, of having the support of our Episcopate placed on a footing independent of the parochial relation, has, within the past year, been accomplished. The Corporation of Trinity Church in this city, having, agreeably to their proposition communicated to the last Convention, raised the Episcopal Fund to an amount sufficient to warrant the appropriation of its income to the desired object, that has now become the source whence your Bishop derives his support. My parochial connexion, therefore, with the parish of which, for nearly the fourth of a century, I was one of the ministers, has ceased. It had been to me a source of much pastoral enjoyment, had led to many very dear pastoral connexions, and many, I would fain hope, which were but the commencement of an endlessly happy union; and had associated me, in the highest and holiest of human duties, with a beloved father and brethren in the Lord, whose counsel, example, and co-operation, were important means of whatever blessing the divine compassion may have imparted to my humble labors.

For the provision thus made for the comfortable and permanent support of its Episcopate, I trust that the Diocese will never cease to cherish the most grateful sense of obligation to the venerable Corporation which has thus added to its already strong claims to respect and confidence, for the extensive good to which it improves the means placed at its disposal. In the matter now particularly considered, the good which it has liberally devised is not yet fully attained. It has adopted incipient measures for providing, in this city, a commodious permanent residence for the Bishop of the Diocese, an object of obviously great importance.

Thus, brethren, is our Diocese, by the good providence of God, brought back to that feature in the primitive organization of the Church, whereby the Bishop's pastoral relation is alike to his whole charge. The necessity, so often existing in this country, of having it otherwise—of the Bishop's being a *parochial* as well as a *diocesan* pastor, and being *specially* bound to pastoral duty to a small portion of the flock committed to his care, is not without danger of being unfavorable to that view of the pastoral character of the Episcopate which is afforded by that best rule and measure of ecclesiastical organization which are furnished in the Holy Scriptures, and the writings of the apostolical fathers. That character, with an equal regard to the whole flock of which he is placed in charge, the Bishop of this Diocese is hereafter to sustain. And let me ask the prayers of my beloved brethren, clerical and lay, that I may be supported, directed, and furthered in its momentous duties, by the grace of that God who hath put me in a ministry so fraught with care, with labor, and with responsibility.

In pursuance of the claims of the new position in which I have been thus placed, I have, besides the usual observance of special appointments for Episcopal visitation, endeavored to minister diligently in the word and sacraments, in conducting the public services of the Church, and in performing, as need required, and occasion was given, the various other functions of the pastoral office. It was a great satisfaction to me to receive, soon after my severance from a special pastoral connexion with Trinity Church, in this city, an affectionate letter from the several parish clergy and missionaries of the city, expressive of what they kindly termed the pleasure it would afford them for me to make appointments for preaching to their several congregations when not called

from home by the duties of the Episcopate. Accompanying this letter was a communication from the resident clergy of the city, not having parochial or missionary charge, in which they desired to join their brethren in expressions of kind and affectionate attachment. Such tokens of regard are among the most delightful of those alleviations and encouragements which have so much blessed my labors since placed in charge of the diocese, and which I pray God—and pray you also, dear brethren, to God for me—I may have grace to improve in some degree proportioned to the increased obligations and responsibilities which they involve.*

* The following are the communications above referred to, and the reply.

To the Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of New-York.

RIGHT REVEREND AND DEAR SIR,—The undersigned, rectors of churches, and parochial clergy, under your jurisdiction in the city of New-York, beg leave to offer you their congratulations on the arrangements which have been made for relieving you from all connection with parochial duty, and enabling you to give your attention exclusively to the important functions of the high office which, in the providence of God, you have been called to fill. It is, as a matter of course, their duty, as it will, at all times, be their pleasure, to comply with your official intimations of a desire or intention to perform any services of an Episcopal character within their respective parishes; but the object of the present communication is, further to express to you the great pleasure it will afford them to have the favor of your public ministrations of the word in their pulpits on the ordinary appointments of public worship. While, therefore, they would ask nothing of you, RIGHT REV. SIR, that may be onerous to yourself, or irreconcilable with your immediate duties, they beg to assure you, that whenever it may comport with your official and personal convenience, they will be most happy to receive the benefit of your valued and pious instructions in their several churches; and in communicating very respectfully their present request to that effect, they trust they express equally the wishes of the people of their respective charges.

With sincere prayers to the great Head of the Church, that He may long continue your useful labors in the important station you occupy, we remain very affectionately,

Your assured friends, and faithful clergy,

THOMAS LYTELL,
FRANCIS L. HAWES,
CHARLES V. KELLY,
JOHN MURRAY FORBES,
HUGH SMITH,
W. A. CLARK,

JAMES MILNOR,
MANTON EASTBURN,
LOT JONES,
E. B. KELLOGG,
THOMAS HOUSE TAYLOR,
W. W. NILES,

Among the pastoral duties which have thus been discharged, was included the conducting of divine service in Trinity Church in this city, on litany days and holy days. This is mentioned

THOMAS BREINTNALL,
F. H. CUMING,
WILLIAM BERRIAN,
WILLIAM RICHMOND,
A. VERREN,
WILLIAM JACKSON,
WILLIAM I. KIP,
REUBEN I. GERMAIN,

L. P. BAYARD,
HENRY ANTHON,
EDWARD Y. HIGBEE,
J. C. RICHMOND,
J. F. SCHROEDER,
JAMES W. COOKE,
ALEXANDER FRAZER,
ABRAM B. HART.

The undersigned Clergy, holding no parochial charge, and therefore unable to testify in the same manner as the above our sense of your superintending care, do yet most cordially unite in the sentiments that have dictated their letter, and in every expression they contain of confidence and affection.

JOHN McVICKAR,
BIRD WILSON, (of Pennsylvania, re-
siding in New-York,)
W. R. WHITTINGHAM,
BENJAMIN DORR,
JOHN A. VAUGHAN,
C. W. HACKLEY,
JOHN W. BROWN,
EDMUND EMBURY,
JAMES D. CARDER,

WILLIAM HAMMEL,
S. SEABURY,
C. COLTON,
J. L. BLAKE, (of Massachusetts, re-
siding in New-York.)
WILLIAM MORRIS,
EDWARD C. BULL, (of Massachusetts,
residing in New-York.)
SAMUEL H. TURNER.

*To the Rev. Thomas Lyell, D.D., the Rev. John McVickar, D.D., and others,
Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the city of New-York.*

REV. AND DEAR BRETHREN,—Any ordinary terms in which I could express my gratification at your very kind and fraternal letter, this day received, would be unequal to the emotions which it has excited. It is one of the most delightful of those evidences of the affectionate regard and confidence of the clergy of the Diocese, which so often cheer and elevate my heart, sustain and encourage me in the anxious cares and heavy labors of my office, and make me wish that the object of so much respect and kindness was more worthy of them. They encourage me to hope, however, that while that kindness is ever ready to overlook imperfections, and appreciate well-meant efforts, the faith and piety with which it is combined will not be wanting in prayers in my behalf to the only Source of will and ability for the discharge of my duty.

Solemnly impressed with a sense of the *peculiar* obligation which, it appears from Holy Scripture and ancient authors, and from the tenor of our form of consecration, rests on Christian *Bishops* to be diligent and faithful in *preaching the gospel*, I should, under any circumstances, have deemed it my duty, among "the people committed to" my "charge," [*Office of Consecration of Bishops*,] that is, the Diocese over which my divine Master, through his Church, has been pleased to place me, to continue, as long as physical and

with the view of stating my purpose, through God's assistance, of continuing the same, when in this city, and not hindered by duty, during the coming year, and also affectionately suggesting that these occasions may furnish favorable opportunities for the clergy, when their other duties will admit, assembling together for prayer and praise, and giving heed to the teachings of God's holy word. As they can, it will always make me happy to meet them. I purpose also devoting one hour after each of these services, in the vestry-room, to such of my clerical and lay brethren as may desire interviews for consultation on matters relating to the great interests of religion and the Church. It will indeed, at all times, give me pleasure to confer with them on those matters.

intellectual ability was graciously vouchsafed, "to spread abroad" the blessed "Gospel," and "preaching" God's "word, be earnest to reprove, beseech, and rebuke." In diligent attention to this part of episcopal duty, I should find my only comfortable assurance of acting in the spirit of one of the greatest and best of the holy men whom the Saviour vested in person with the chief ministry in his Church, when he penned the memorable words, "Necessity is laid upon me: yea, wo is unto me if I preach not the Gospel," 1 Cor. ix. 16.

Therefore, beloved Brethren, I should, of course—more extensively, in my journeyings, and in the neighborhood of my home, when other duties required me there to tarry for awhile—be a constant preacher. But great as is the pleasure I always find—God be thanked for it!—in this sacred duty, it will be largely increased by the kind assurance with which I have been favored by my respected brethren, the parochial clergy and missionaries of this city, that its discharge will be gratifying to them, and, as they believe, to the good people among whom they minister. And greater still will be the pleasure and satisfaction hence arising, from the hope that it may not be without effect in ministering somewhat to the blessed influence of *their* faithful and devoted labors. To work together with them, as with their brethren of the Diocese, when my labors are more extensively diffused, will ever be my highest happiness; and I ask that their prayers may ascend with mine, that we may thus, in Christian love and concord, work together for the glory of our common Master, and for the edification and salvation of the flocks committed to our common charge.

Once more, dear Brethren, I pray you all, both the parochial and non-parochial clergy, accept my sincere thanks for your kindness; and be assured, that when I bow my knee to the God and Father of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, among the subjects of my heart's warmest desires, and its most fervent prayers, will be, that his blessings—the blessings of his providence and grace—may be richly vouchsafed to you, your households, and your flocks.

With cordial sentiments of brotherly love and respect, I am, reverend and dear brethren, your affectionate friend and Diocesan,

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONE,

Bishop of the Diocese of New-York.

New-York, January 23, 1837.

Much obvious benefit, however, would result from conforming, as far as their convenience will admit, to the arrangement now proposed.

Circumstances, during the past year, have rendered it my duty, on two occasions, to communicate officially to rectors of parishes my judgment respecting the bearing of the office for the consecration of a Church or Chapel, on the question of the allowing of the use of such a building for other purposes than those connected with the worship of ALMIGHTY GOD. And as appeals to me on the subject are very frequent, I now ask your attention to it.

No one, it would seem, can peruse that solemn office with an unbiassed and enlightened mind, or a Christian heart, without perceiving that it bears the character of an instrument involving a transaction of the most solemn and binding nature. An edifice is thereby offered by its owners to the LORD, solemnly devoted to His service, and expressly "separated from all unhallowed, worldly, and common uses." The parties making the offering declare that they do it "with all humility and readiness of heart," and pray God to "accept this service at" their "hands," and "to accept the dedication of" their building "to" His "service."*

Brethren—Are these unmeaning words? Is it a vain oblation that is thus solemnly made? Is there here any reservation? Is there the semblance of reservation in any part of the holy solemnity? Is aught retained for the exercise of discretion, or the intervention of civil rights? Is it not a transaction which should be entered on in good faith? And does it not impose an obligation which should be fulfilled with all fidelity? Whatever use is unhallowed, worldly, or common, it is declared, in a solemn compact with the Deity, shall be excluded. By unhallowed cannot be meant unholy or wicked—common decepcy would exclude that—but *not* holy, not of a holy character, not connected with the sacred purposes to which the building is solemnly appropriated and devoted, and its appropriation and devotion to which has been the subject of a solemn engagement with God himself, and an offering which He has been besought to accept and bless. There has therefore been a compact entered into with Him, that for none but holy purposes shall the consecrated building be used.

And in what clearer and more binding shape could the Church

* "Consecration of a Church or Chapel."

enact a law—and her laws are obligatory on all orders of men within her pale—than by providing for such a transaction by her members? Her law, then, clearly is, that her consecrated edifices are not to be used for any other purposes than those of a holy and religious character. They are God's houses; and by being made His, have been, with the profession of humility and readiness of heart in the transaction, placed beyond the right of any other disposal. The right has been surrendered; and the party surrendering it has thereby placed itself under an obligation to act accordingly.

I have felt it my bounden duty, brethren of the clergy and laity, thus to lay before you, and through you, before your respective flocks and constituents, the law of the Church in this important matter, and to remind you of its connexion with fidelity to a compact solemnly entered into with the Most High God. And to my Rev. brethren the rectors of parishes, whose is the prerogative and duty of decision and action in the premises, with regard to their respective churches and chapels, and to the wardens and vestrymen of parishes destitute of rectors, I look with confidence for seeing that the laws of the Church are duly observed, and her fidelity to God maintained, in all matters within their proper cognizance.*

* A plausible ground of objection to the principle here set forth, exists in the case of societies designed for the moral reformation of the community, and in that of literary institutions.

Intemperance and other immoralities are great acknowledged public sins, in the estimation of the community at large, and slavery and free masonry are held to be such by many eminent and good men. Societies are formed for purging the land of these iniquities. Is it proper that their business should be transacted, and their celebrations held, in our consecrated buildings?

In the first place, it is well known, that there are important differences of opinion among the best members of the community as to the correctness of the principle on which Temperance, Moral Reform, Anti-Slavery, Anti-Masonry, and similar societies, are instituted and conducted. These differences ought not to be incorporated into the Church. Whatever views her ministers and members may entertain in the matter, should be confined to them as citizens and members of society, and not be brought to bear upon them as belonging to the Church. All ecclesiastical bodies, therefore, should be kept free from discussion or committal respecting them. For the same reason, the Church's consecrated buildings should not be used for such discussions, or for business connected with these institutions.

But secondly. The Church, as the Church of CHRIST, knows no rule of morals but the Gospel, and no Gospel independent of the Church. All efforts, therefore, at moral reform, save through the Gospel and its Church, she cannot sanction.

I now proceed, brethren, to the required detail of episcopal duties since the last Convention.

On the day after the rising of that body, the nineteenth Sunday

They ought, therefore, be they advocated and patronized by whom they may, her own ministers and members, or others, to be unknown to her. Her organized bodies, vestries, conventions, and societies, should not engage in them; and consequently her consecrated churches and chapels should not be used for their purposes.

As it respects literary institutions, it should be borne in mind that literature is divided into two departments—*Sacred* and *Secular*, or, as it is usually termed, *Profane*.

Sacred Literature is that which has a direct bearing on the true interpretation, and proper application, of the Holy Scriptures. Secular or Profane Literature is that department which has to do with the interests of learning and science, in their application to objects not immediately connected with spiritual concerns, and the life which is to come.

Sacred Literature, in all its departments, from the humble operations of the Sunday school, to the deepest and most learned theological studies and researches, is, if under the direction and control of the Church, proper to our consecrated temples. Secular or Profane Literature, which includes, beside branches connected with the higher departments of literature, science and philosophy, the lighter grades of the drama, fiction, satire, and cognate branches, and may be brought to bear on politics, secular business, social customs and fashions, and various other subjects of a purely worldly character, I think I need not say, is unsuitable to our consecrated buildings. Its public exhibitions may not be improper in themselves; but certainly they come not within the proper, and sacredly guaranteed, uses of the HOUSE OF GOD. Even if an exception were deemed allowable in behalf of exercises consisting merely of grave literary and scientific dissertations, and the solemn conferring of literary honors, the plea is removed by the manner in which our collegiate and other merely literary public celebrations are conducted. I need not refer to the light and trifling subjects, and the light and trifling manner in which they are treated, which more or less characterize all school and college exhibitions. I mean not to say that these are always necessarily wrong. But do they befit the house of God?

There are appendages also to these celebrations, in music performed, refreshments taken, and tokens of approbation or disapprobation given, with regard to which I will only ask every pious Christian who may read this note, and know any thing of the matter in hand, *Are they befitting the house of God? Do they consist with the terms and true meaning of the solemn act of consecration?*

The lending of our churches to worship extraneous from that of our communion, is another matter, which requires serious consideration.

Our churches are consecrated to the worship and service of ALMIGHTY GOD—that is, by every reasonable and proper construction, that worship and service of Him which the Church deems consonant with the requisitions of the Gospel. These requisitions, according to our standards, admit those only who have received Episcopal ordination to be lawful ministers in the word and sacraments. Such only, therefore, unless we violate what ourselves have declared to be lawful, can we admit to minister in our buildings solemnly consecrated to gospel ministrations.

As it respects, too, the *matter* of worship, the Church prescribes what is the

after Trinity, October 9th, confirmed two in St. James' Church in this city.

On Saturday, October 15, I enjoyed much satisfaction in laying

proper celebration of divine service, and the proper form of ministration in the sacraments and other public ordinances. Surely, then, if we enjoin such safeguards to the integrity of Christian doctrine as are afforded in our provided administrations, in the case of our own ministers, we must be unfaithful to the avowed principles of our Church, if we allow in buildings under our control, the celebration of public worship, and the administration of ordinances, otherwise than we think accordant with the Gospel, and therefore with proper regard for the truth as it is in Jesus.

I have, therefore, no hesitation in saying that the appropriation of our consecrated buildings to other worship than that provided for by our liturgy, is inconsistent with the terms and true meaning of the office of consecration.

That office supposes the preparing, executing, and presenting to the Bishop, of *an instrument of donation*, prior to the consecration of a church or chapel; and every sentiment of reason and propriety must agree, that until there is a full and fair surrender of the building to the holy purposes contemplated by its consecration, and its severance, in good faith, from all inconsistent use, there cannot be fairly asked that office at the hands of the Bishop.

The following is the form of the instrument of donation required in this Diocese in order to the consecrating of a Church or Chapel. It is required because supposed to contain the only principles on which the Bishop can, in good faith, perform the solemn act of consecration.

*WE, the Rector, Churchwardens, and Vestrymen of
and State of New-York, having, by the good providence of ALMIGHTY GOD,
erected in*

a house of public worship, do hereby appropriate and devote the same to the worship and service of ALMIGHTY GOD, the FATHER, the SON, and the HOLY GHOST, according to the provisions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in its ministry, doctrines, liturgy, rites, and usages, and by a congregation in communion with said Church, and in union with the Convention thereof in the Diocese of New-York.

And we do, also, hereby request the Right Reverend Benjamin Tredwell Onderdonk, D. D., the Bishop of the said Diocese, to take the said building under his spiritual jurisdiction, as Bishop aforesaid, and that of his successors in office, and to consecrate the same by the name of
and thereby separate it from all unhallowed, worldly, and common uses, and solemnly dedicate it to the holy purposes above mentioned.

And we do, moreover, hereby relinquish all claim to any right of disposing of the said building, or allowing of the use of it, in any way inconsistent with the terms and true meaning of this instrument of donation, and with the consecration hereby requested of the Bishop of this Diocese.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, the said Rector, Churchwardens, and Vestrymen, have caused this instrument of donation to have attached to it the seal of our Corporation, and the signatures of the presiding officer and clerk of a meeting duly convened on this day of in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and

the corner stone of St. Paul's College, at College Point, in the town of Flushing, and county of Queens. This edifice is designed for the carrying out to their full measure of favorable influence on the united interests of religion and science, of the excellent plans of the Rev. Dr. Muhlenberg, so faithfully and usefully prosecuted in his Flushing Institute, where the Gospel and its Church do their holy work as the channels of God's sanctifying grace to the heart, and of that sacred knowledge which most elevates the character, while literature and science adorn and enrich the mind.

Twentieth Sunday after Trinity, October 16, confirmed 27 in St. James' Church, Hyde Park, Dutchess county.

Festival of St. Luke the Evangelist, Tuesday, October 18, confirmed 22 in St. Peter's Church, Albany, in the morning; and in the afternoon laid the corner stone of Trinity Church, West Troy, Albany county.

Wednesday, 19, instituted the Rev. Aldert Smedes into the rectorship of St. George's Church, Schenectady; and in the evening confirmed 12 in the same church.

Friday, 21, in St. John's Church, Johnstown, Montgomery county, admitted the Rev. Joseph Ransom, Deacon, the minister of the church, to the Priesthood; preached there again in the afternoon, and in the evening confirmed 4.

Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity, October 23, consecrated Trinity Chapel, Utica.

This building stands on the churchyard, and immediately adjoining the parish church. It is intended for catechetical instruction in its various departments, in the Sunday school and otherwise, and for occasions of Divine service and of lectures on litany days, holy days, and other week days. It was a source of great gratification to me, that the views which I had frequently expressed in favor of having consecrated chapels for such purposes, were so readily acted upon by the rector and vestry of this parish; and still more gratifying is the assurance which has been given me, that decided benefit to the interests of religion and the Church has accrued from the erection, consecration, and use, of this neat and commodious chapel.

As the dimensions of the chapel would not admit of the accommodation of more than a portion of the parish, and, therefore, the regular service of the day, in the Church, ought not to be inter-

ferred with, and as consecration is properly a *morning* service,* this solemnity took place at an hour sufficiently early to allow of the due performance of all its appointed parts in time for the celebration of Divine service in Trinity Church at a proper hour in the forenoon, when I admitted the Rev. Roderick H. Ranney, Deacon, to the Priesthood. Mr. Ranney has since removed to the Diocese of Mississippi, with a letter of dismissal, and been there received.

In the evening, confirmed 2 in the same church.

Tuesday, October 25, having returned to Johnstown, I instituted the Rev. Joseph Ransom into the rectorship of St. John's Church.

It gave me great pain to hear, shortly after, of the destruction, by fire, of that venerable church. The vestry, however, had taken the proper precaution to have it insured. And I would again press most seriously upon our several parochial corporations, the duty of doing likewise. When loss by fire may be so easily avoided or materially lessened, it would seem presumptuous to neglect so important a benefit and security placed by a kind Providence within our reach. It is not an unreasonable ground for those to take to whom recourse may be had for aid in the rebuilding of a burnt edifice, that neglect in this matter shows an improvidence and recklessness which cannot but diminish claim to sympathy and assistance.

The rebuilding of the church at Johnstown is, I am happy to say, nearly complete, and its consecration is expected soon to take place.

On the Festival of St. Simon and St. Jude, Friday, October 28, I consecrated St. Bartholomew's Church in this city.

Festival of All Saints, Tuesday, November 1, I attended, by invitation, and assisted in the solemnities of the consecration, by the Bishop of New Jersey, of St. Paul's Church, at Hoboken, in that Diocese.

* Consecration of churches, ordinations, and institutions, are all made by the Prayer Book morning services, there being no provision for their celebration without the accompaniment of the Morning Prayer. It is obvious also from the *communion* service, that its public celebration is intended by the Church to be confined to the morning. When, therefore, in arrangements for the supply of two parishes, by a clergyman, he attends one in the afternoon only, an exception should be made in favor of the morning for communion days.

Saturday, 5, consecrated **St. Peter's African Church, Brooklyn.**

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity, November 13, instituted the **Rev. Charles V. Kelly** into the rectorship of **St. Bartholomew's Church** in this city.

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity, November 20, instituted the **Rev. Gordon Winslow**, who had removed into this Diocese with a letter of dismission from that of **Massachusetts**, into the rectorship of **St. John's Church, Troy**; an office which, I regret to say, **Mr. Winslow** has since resigned. He is succeeded by the **Rev. Richard Cox.**

In the afternoon of the same day, preached in **St. Paul's Church** in the same city; and in the evening baptized 2 adults, and confirmed 14, in **St. John's Church.**

Wednesday, November 23, laid the corner-stone of **Christ Church, Tarrytown, Westchester county.**

From this time my services were principally confined for a few months to the cities of **New-York** and **Brooklyn.**

Advent Sunday, November 27, in **Trinity Church, Brooklyn,** admitted the **Rev. Daniel V. M. Johnson, Deacon,** the minister of the church, to the Priesthood.

Second Sunday in Advent, December 4, confirmed 11 in **St. Paul's Church.**

Thursday, 29, consecrated **St. Paul's Church, Flatbush, Kings county.**

Festival of the circumcision of our Lord JESUS CHRIST, Sunday, January 1, consecrated **Calvary Church, New-York,** a small but neat and commodious edifice, erected by a parish recently organized, in a part of the city peculiarly destitute of the means of moral and spiritual culture, and over which, I am happy to say, it is exerting an influence that must be most gratifying to the Christian, the Churchman, the good citizen, and the friend of man.

Thursday, 5, consecrated **St. Andrew's Church, Richmond, Richmond county.** This is an ancient edifice, having been erected about 120 years ago, and consequently, very long before our portion of the Church had the services of that order of the ministry to which long-established catholic observance has assigned the solemn consecration of the houses of the LORD. The interior, however, having been entirely renewed, the vestry, following the precedent which, under similar circumstances, had been set in other parts of the country, requested its consecration.

It is an interesting circumstance connected with this ancient church, that its pastoral charge has, for about fifty years, been held by but two individuals, and they, father and son; the venerable Bishop of Virginia having been in that charge for about twenty-one years, when he was succeeded, in 1808, by the present incumbent.

Septuagesima Sunday, January 22, in St. Thomas' Church, *New-York*, confirmed 54.

Second Sunday in Lent, February 19, in the Church of the Ascension, confirmed 40.

Wednesday, March 1, in St. George's Church, Flushing, Queen's county, admitted John B. Kerfoot, an instructor in the Flushing Institute, to Deacons' orders.

Friday, 3, at a special confirmation in Trinity Church, *New-York*, confirmed 1.

Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 5, in the Mission Church of the Epiphany, admitted George Mills to the order of Deacons. Mr. Mills is now the minister of St. Timothy's Church, in this city, composed of Germans and their descendants, and in which Divine service is celebrated in the German language.

The large number of Germans settled in various portions of our country, and the accessions constantly making to their body, induced the last General Convention to adopt measures for the publication of an authorized edition of the Book of Common Prayer in the German language. The Committee intrusted by the Convention with the important work, are proceeding with all the despatch consistent with due attention to accuracy. Meanwhile, a zealous movement in this city, under the auspices, principally, of Mr. Mills, who has given the most disinterested proofs of the sincerity with which he has dissolved his connexion, heretofore most respectably and creditably maintained, with a religious communion extraneous from the Church, and cast in his lot with the latter—has led to the formation of the above-mentioned church, and to the printing, for present use, and until the authorized German Prayer-book is prepared, of the Daily Service, the Litany, the Catechism, and other parts of the Liturgy.

This movement deserves, as it needs, the liberal patronage of the Church. The German population of this city is very great, and must exert no small influence on its character, and its destinies. It must, if we would act the part of Christians, and of true

patriots, be brought under the benign and mellorating influence of Christian piety and Christian morals. And for the security of these, the principles, institutions, and services, of our communion, are daily seen to be the most efficient means. Let then their influences be widely spread. It is right that in this great commercial emporium, where are congregated men from almost every nation under heaven, each should, as far as may be, hear, in his own tongue, the great things which God has caused to be written for our spiritual and eternal good, and have access to the celebration, as he can best understand them, of the holy services and ordinances of the Gospel, as maintained and presented by our primitive catholic Church. The French and German churches of this city are important and influential means to so good an end; and as such, should hold a large place in the estimation of all good members of the Church.

Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 12, confirmed 43 in St. Clement's Church.

Wednesday, 15, in Grace Church, Jamaica, Queen's county, admitted the Rev. Nathaniel P. Knapp, Deacon, assistant minister of the parish, to Priests' Orders. Mr. Knapp has since resigned that station.

Sunday next before Easter, March 19, in the French Church du St. Esprit, *New-York*, confirmed 14.

Easter-Day, March 26, in Christ Church, admitted Samuel C. Davis to Deacons' Orders. Mr. Davis is the minister of St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county, where he succeeds the Rev. Charles W. Bradley, whom ill health compelled to resign the parish.

Saturday, April 1, in St. John's Church, Phillipsburg, Westchester county, ordained 10 in the morning, and preached again in the evening.

First Sunday after Easter, April 2, in the chapel of St. Peter's Church, *New-York*, in the morning confirmed 25.

In the afternoon confirmed 18 in Zion Church.

Wednesday, April 5, consecrated St. John's Church, Cold Spring Harbor, Queens county, and administered the communion; and in the afternoon confirmed 4 in the same church.

Second Sunday after Easter, April 9, confirmed 88 in St. Luke's Church, *New York*.

Third Sunday after Easter, April 16, instituted the Rev. Ben-

jamin I. Haight, who had removed to this diocese with letters of dismission from that of Ohio, into the office of Rector of All Saints' Church; which had been resigned by the Rev. William A. Clark, D. D., who has removed, with a letter of dismission, to the Diocese of Michigan.

In the afternoon of the same day, confirmed 17 in the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists.

Fourth Sunday after Easter, April 23, confirmed 3 in St. James' Church, in the morning.

In the afternoon, confirmed 54 in the Mission Church of the Epiphany.

In the evening, confirmed 8 in the temporary Chapel occupied by the Church of the Nativity.

Festival of the Ascension of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, Thursday, May 4, in St. Luke's Church, admitted Foster Thayer to Deacons' Orders, and the Rev. Pierre T. Babbit, Deacon, a missionary in the employ of the Board of Missions, to the Priesthood.

Mr. Thayer is the Missionary at Waterloo, Seneca county, having succeeded the Rev. Stephen M'Hugh, who is the Missionary at Holland Patent, and Oriskany, Oneida county; which station has been resigned by the Rev. Thomas Clark.

Mr. Babbit has removed, with a letter of dismission, to the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop for Missouri and Indiana.

Sunday after Ascension, May 7, in Trinity Church, *Brooklyn*, confirmed 15.

Whitsunday, May 14, instituted the Rev. Isaac Peck, who had resigned the rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Troy, into the office of Assistant Minister of Christ Church, *New York*.

Tuesday in Whitsun-Week, May 16, in Calvary Church, Cairo, Greene county, admitted the Rev. Henry H. Prout, Deacon, the missionary there, to the Priesthood. Mr. Prout herein succeeds the Rev. Moses Burt, who, after a long series of bodily suffering, during which he manifested an unconquerable zeal and devotion in the duties of his ministry, and the genuine influences of the true faith and piety of the gospel, has entered into his rest.

In the afternoon, confirmed 3 in the same church.

Friday, 19, in Zion Church, Pierrepont Manor, Jefferson county, admitted the Rev. Nathaniel Watkins, Deacon, the missionary there, to Priests' Orders; and in the afternoon confirmed 2 in the same church.

I then set out on an intended visit to Canton, St. Lawrence county. The tempestuousness of the weather presented a serious difficulty ; and it was not until two carriages had been rendered unfit for farther use, and a third was not to be obtained in season, that I abandoned the hope of meeting this appointment, and submitted to the first and only hindrance of the kind which I have ever experienced.

Returning, owing to the impracticability of reaching Canton, to Watertown, Jefferson county, I spent there Trinity Sunday, May 21, and preached in the morning ; the church being supplied, in the afternoon and evening, by clerical brethren who were, at the same time, in the parish.

Wednesday, May 24, preached in the morning in St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, Onondaga county, and in the afternoon baptized an adult, and confirmed 6.

Thursday, 25, in St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga county, preached in the morning, and confirmed 33 in the afternoon.

Friday, 26, in Trinity Church, Seneca Falls, Seneca county, admitted the Rev. Henry Tullidge, Deacon, the minister of the parish, who had removed, by letter of dismission, from the Diocese of Illinois, to the Priesthood ; and in the afternoon confirmed 11.

Saturday, 27, in Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario county, admitted the Rev. Pierre P. Irving, Deacon, the minister of the parish, to Priests' Orders.

First Sunday after Trinity, May 28, in the same church, instituted Mr. Irving into the rectorship, and in the afternoon confirmed 17.

Monday, 29, in St. John's Church, Canandaigua, in the same county, admitted the Rev. Augustine P. Prevost, Deacon, the minister of the parish, who had removed into this Diocese with a letter of dismission from Pennsylvania, to the Priesthood ; and in the afternoon, confirmed 14.

Thursday, June 1, in St. John's Church, Ithaca, Tompkins county, instituted the Rev. Francis T. Todrig into the rectorship of the parish ; and in the afternoon, confirmed 8. Mr. Todrig has since resigned that station.

Friday, 2, in St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, Onondaga county, admitted the Rev. Clement M. Butler, Deacon, the minister of the parish, (he having relinquished his temporary services in St. Peter's Church, Albany,) to the Priesthood, and George B. Engle to the order of Deacons.

Mr. Engle is the missionary at Fayetteville, and Pompey, Onondaga county.

Second Sunday after Trinity, June 4, consecrated Trinity Church, West Troy, Albany county; and preached there again in the afternoon.

In the evening, for the parish of Christ Church, Troy, organized since our last meeting, and prospering well under the faithful ministrations of the rector, the Rev. William F. Walker, who has relinquished the rectorship of the church of the Nativity in this city, confirmed 34 in the Second Presbyterian Church in that city, the parish being, as yet, without a church.

Monday, 5, in Trinity Church, West Troy, admitted the Rev. William C. Cooley, deacon, the missionary there, to the Priesthood.

On the 7th, 8th, and 9th, of June, I attended, in Baltimore, the annual meeting of the Board of Missions.

On my return home, the Third Sunday after Trinity, June 11, was spent in Philadelphia, where I preached in Christ, Epiphany, and Trinity Churches.

Friday, 16, consecrated Christ Church, Patterson, Putnam county; and in the afternoon, confirmed therein 4 persons.

Saturday, 17, in the same church, admitted the Rev. Benjamin Evans, Deacon, the missionary there, to the Priesthood.

This beautiful church stands on the site occupied by a former edifice, erected before the revolution, but long since entirely destroyed; and I am happy to say, that the little band of Episcopalians who, for many years, sustained their parish in a feeble existence, have now the fair prospect of seeing it become one of the most flourishing in the diocese. It affords a most encouraging proof how much can be done by God's blessing on devoted hearts, and a determination not to let go a good design until it is completed.

Fourth Sunday after Trinity, June 18, I commenced a visitation of some of the parishes in Dutchess county, by confirming 8, in the morning, in St. Peter's Church, Lithgow, and preaching there again in the afternoon.

In the evening, preached for the newly-organized parish of St. Paul's Church, Pleasant Valley, in their temporary chapel.

Monday, 19, for the same parish, preached in the Presbyterian Church of the village.

Tuesday, 20, in Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, admitted John Knill to Deacons' Orders, and in the afternoon confirmed 46.

Mr. Knill has since become the missionary at Little Falls, and

Mohawk, Herkimer county, succeeding the Rev. Henry S. Attwater, who has removed to the missionary station at Mount Morris, Livingston county.

Wednesday, 21, preached in Zion Church, Wappinger's Creek.

Thursday, 22, in Trinity Church, Fishkill, confirmed 2.

Friday, 23, in St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, preached in the morning, and in the evening confirmed 13.

Fifth Sunday after Trinity, June 25, in St. Paul's Church, Flatbush, Kings county, preached and administered the communion in the morning, and preached again in the afternoon.

The remainder of that week was principally occupied by the business of the annual meetings of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary and the Managers of the Sunday School Union, and the public examination and commencement of the Seminary.

The Seminary is well and extensively accomplishing the great ends of its institution; but it still needs liberal pecuniary aid. I am confident I shall not be disappointed in the expectation that the diocese of New York will still be foremost in doing its duty to this great nursery of the Church. There is not a parish in the diocese which ought not, and might not, do something for it. It is now before the Church for aid in two ways. Its current expenses are much beyond the income arising from its capital, and must be provided for by the Church. The completion of its Faculty, also—an object of the first importance—is now especially urged upon our consideration. There are two vacant professorships—that of the Evidences of Revealed Religion and of Moral Science in its relations to Theology, and that of Pastoral Theology and Pulpit Eloquence. The Corporation of Trinity Church in this city, in its wonted desire to turn the means at its disposal to the best account for the cause of God, has resolved to endow the former, provided an equal endowment of \$25,000 be secured for the latter. It is a noble offer, and made upon precisely the right principle—that of encouraging individual effort, rather than listless and ignominious dependence. It is a principle, the good influence of which, in other operations of that Board, is largely and happily felt, and producing a moral benefit of far greater value than any good which mere money can effect.*

* I refer especially to the admirable method of aiding in the erection of churches, only on condition of the amount given being made, by the parish, sufficient for the total extinguishment of its indebtedness.

On being informed of this offer by Trinity Church, the Standing Committee of the Trustees of the Seminary made a call on its alumni, who are among the most useful and influential clergy of the Church in all the borders of our land, to act as agents for raising the required amount. The call was responded to in the true spirit; and the sons of the Seminary, glad to do her service, were laying their plans for vigorous action, when the awful blight which checked so many schemes, and withered so many hopes, came over the pecuniary affairs of our country. The work was necessarily stopped for a season. It is not, however, lost sight of. Its progress to completion will be slower, but it will be sure. The most cheering evidences have been given that the change which, in the course of Divine Providence, has come over the temporal estate of the community, by no means leaves us without hope of a blessing being in its train—the blessing of a more practical sense of dependence on Providence, and of the duty of turning His gifts to His glory. The manly and Christian determination has been formed by many a heart, that religious and charitable contributions shall be the last to be withholden, and that what God is graciously pleased to regard as lent to Him shall not be stinted.

May such be the feelings and views—each with a fair regard to the ability which God giveth—of every Christian! It will be found that there is still ample ability to sustain and carry forward the Church's means and instruments of usefulness; and such evidences of faith and trust in that God who is the Author and Bestower of all good, will not be in vain.

Sixth Sunday after Trinity, July 2, in St. Luke's Church in this city, I admitted to the order of Deacons the following young gentlemen, who, on the preceding Friday, at the commencement of the General Theological Seminary, had received its testimonial, and been thus enrolled among its alumni—an honor confined, in that Institution, to those who accomplish its full course of study—viz: Ferdinand Rogers, Solon W. Manney, Anthony Ten Broeck, Charles G. Acly, Samuel Buel, Daniel S. Lewis, Thomas Mallaby, Guy R. Pinching, John Noble, Edward Hardy, and Nicholas Hoppin. The Rev. Calvin Colton, now rector of the newly-incorporated Church of the Messiah, in this city, and the Rev. Frederick J. Goodwin, acting Professor of the Latin Language and Literature in the University of the city of New York, Deacons, were, at the same time, admitted to the Priesthood.

Mr. Rogers is the minister of St. Paul's Church, Brownville,

Jefferson county, which has been separated from the missionary station of Sacket's Harbor; Mr. Manney, of the Church of the Nativity in this city; Mr. Ten Broeck, of St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, Dutchess county, vacated by the removal to New-York of the Rev. Kingston Goddard, Deacon, who has been supplying the place of the Rev. Hugh Smith, rector of St. Peter's Church, just returned, I am happy to say, with greatly improved health, from a visit to Europe, which the state of his health had rendered necessary; Mr. Acly, of Trinity Church, Watertown, Jefferson county, vacated by the removal of the Rev. Burton H. Hickox to the Diocese of Ohio; and Mr. Mallaby, of St. James' Church, Goshen, Orange county, vacated by the removal of the Rev. James P. F. Clarke to the rectorship of Christ Church, Manhasset, Queens county, of which the rectorship has been resigned by the Rev. Moses Marcus.

Mr. Buel is assisting the rector of St. Peter's Church, Albany.

Mr. Hardy, it is painful to state, was removed from this world so soon after his ordination, that his funeral took place, in the church in which he was ordained, on the second Sunday after that event. He was excused from attendance at the final Seminary examination, and the commencement, on account of ill health; but his whole Seminary course had been so creditable and so faithful, that the usual testimonial was awarded to him. His anxiety to be ordained with the other members of his class who belonged to this Diocese, led to an exertion for that purpose to which his physical strength was hardly equal. He was admitted to the holy ministry, and before he had engaged in any of its functions, was called hence.

Brethren of the clergy: this young brother had had no opportunity of manifesting his fidelity in the ministry of the Gospel. Who of us can depart in peace, when called, after our opportunities, to render an account of our stewardship?

In the afternoon of the day on which I held the above-mentioned ordination, I confirmed 12 members of a congregation worshipping in Euterpean Hall in this city.

In the evening, confirmed 4 in St. Mary's Church.

Friday, July 7, commenced a visitation of Queen's county, by confirming 21 in Grace Church, Jamaica.

Saturday, 8, consecrated Trinity Chapel, Rockaway, erected by the corporation of St. George's Church, Hempstead, of which parish this well known and delightful retreat for the benefit of sea air is a part.

Seventh Sunday after Trinity, July 9, in the morning, confirmed 23 in St. George's Church, Hempstead.

In the afternoon, confirmed 16 in Trinity Chapel, Rockaway.

Monday, 10, entered Suffolk county, and preached in a Methodist Chapel in the south part of the town of Huntington.

Tuesday, 11, baptized 2 adults, and confirmed 6, in St. John's Church, Islip.

Wednesday, 12, confirmed 3 in Caroline Church, Setauket.

Friday, 14, preached in St. John's Church, Huntington.

Saturday, 15, returned to Queen's county, and confirmed 6 in St. John's Church, Coldspring Harbor.

Eighth Sunday after Trinity, July 16, in the morning, preached for the parish of Christ Church, Oyster Bay, which has no church, in the academy in that village.

In the afternoon, confirmed 5 in St. Paul's Church, Glen Cove.

Monday, 17, for the parish of St. Mary's Church, Hempstead Harbor, which is without a house of worship, preached in the Methodist Chapel.

Tuesday, 18, after administering baptism to a child at Hempstead Harbor, preached in Christ Church, Manhasset, and baptized an adult.

Wednesday, 19, in Zion Church, Little Neck, confirmed 7.

In the evening of the same day, at the request of the rector of St. George's Church, Flushing, I met his candidates for confirmation at his house, and addressed them on matters connected with the holy rite of which they were about to be partakers.

Thursday, 20, in St. George's Church, Flushing, confirmed 30 in the morning, and in the afternoon preached for the benefit of the Sunday school of the parish.

Friday, 21, in the afternoon, confirmed 9 in St. James' Church, Newtown.

In the evening, preached in St. George's Church, Hallett's Cove.

Ninth Sunday after Trinity, July 23, in St. Paul's Church, Tompkinsville, Richmond county, in the morning confirmed 30, and preached again in the afternoon.

Festival of St. James the Apostle, Tuesday, July 25, in St. Paul's Church, Eastchester, Westchester county, admitted Robert Bolton to Deacons' Orders.

Mr. Bolton has since become the minister of that parish, vacated by the resignation of the Rev. John Grigg.

Thursday, 27, consecrated St. Philip's Church, Phillipstown,

Putnam county, a building erected before the revolutionary war, and consequently, as we had no Bishops, not then consecrated; but recently renewed in the interior in a very neat and commodious manner. At the same time the minister of the parish, the Rev. Henry L. Storrs, Deacon, was admitted to the Priesthood.

Friday, 28, consecrated St. Paul's Church, Poughkeepsie, **Dutchess** county, a beautiful Grecian edifice, bearing testimony to the good success which has attended the long and faithful labors of the rector of the original parish in that town, who, during his ministry of about thirty years, has seen his church enlarged, then re-built with great enlargement, and then furnishing the means of establishing another.

Tenth Sunday after Trinity, July 30, consecrated St. Ann's Church, Port Jackson, **Montgomery** county, and administered the communion; and in the afternoon baptized an adult, and confirmed 2, in the same church.

This is a revival of a parish formerly known as St. Ann's Church, Fort Hunter; in which an edifice, originally denominated Queen Ann's Chapel, was erected in the reign of the British Queen of that name, and several years since, having long been in a state of dilapidation, was entirely removed in consequence of the passage, through the spot on which it stood, of the Erie Canal.

Monday, 31, preached in the evening in Trinity Church, **Utica**.

On Wednesday, August 2, I enjoyed much satisfaction in attending the commencement of Geneva College. This institution, being one of the few of which the influence is not unfavorable to the Church, and in which, as the just return for patronage and services, the Church may fairly claim a *predominant* influence, is, I am happy to say, in a most promising condition. By means of the Society, in this city, for Promoting Religion and Learning, established and endowed by that venerable patron of both, the Corporation of Trinity Church, the finances of the College are now in a most favorable condition; while, in its President and Professors, it has a Faculty justifying the most sanguine hopes of its efficiency in the great cause to which it is devoted.

It has given me great pleasure to learn, that it is the determination of the Faculty and Trustees of Geneva College to maintain a *high stand* in its requisitions for admission, and its course of study. The tendency of the age is to great deterioration in learning. Its issue will be fatal to true science, unless corrected; and I am proud to be able to say, that Columbia College in this city,

and Geneva College, have both taken a noble stand against this tendency of the age. They are both colleges exerting a most happy influence on the prosperity of our primitive Catholic Church. I have no hesitation, therefore, in urging it upon my brethren, the clergy and laity of this diocese, as a sacred duty, that they encourage those colleges to their utmost.

I should be much misunderstood, if supposed to advocate a proselyting influence in either of those institutions. Not so. *All* enjoy in *each* of *them* equal privileges. So let it ever be. But be it also known, that unlike most of the colleges in our country, they do not exert a schismatical, an heretical, or an infidel influence.

Thursday, August 3, for the parish of St. John's Church, Vienna, *Ontario* county, confirmed 8 in the Presbyterian Church in that village.

Friday, 4, in St. John's Church, Sodus, *Wayne* county, confirmed 2, and preached again in the afternoon.

Saturday, 5, in Zion Church, Palmyra, confirmed 5, and administered the communion.

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity, August 6, in Trinity Church, Centrefield, *Ontario* county, in the morning, preached and administered the communion, and in the afternoon confirmed 18; and at a later hour, preached in the Universalist Church at East Bloomfield.

Tuesday, 8, in Grace Church, Rochester, in the morning, preached and administered the communion, and in the evening confirmed 20.

Wednesday, 9, in St. James' Church, Batavia, *Genesee* county, confirmed 8 in the morning.

In the afternoon preached in a temporary chapel provided by private liberality for the use of a congregation at Ellicott's Mills.

Thursday, 10, in Christ Church, Lockport, *Niagara* county, confirmed 3, and administered the communion, and preached again in the afternoon.

In the evening, for the congregation of Grace Church, in the same village, which has a church nearly completed, confirmed 1 in its temporary chapel.

Saturday, 12, for the congregation of St. Paul's Church, Auro-raville, *Erie* county, which has no church, preached, and administered the communion, in the Methodist Chapel.

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, August 13, in the city of *Buffalo*, in the morning preached in St. Paul's Church.

In the afternoon, confirmed 15 in the temporary chapel occupied by the newly-organized parish of Trinity Church; and subsequently, at her residence, a sick member of the parish.

In the evening, confirmed 11 in St. Paul's Church.

Trinity Church had its origin in a movement on the part of the rector and vestry of St. Paul's. It appeared to them that more than one church was needed for the advancement of the interests of primitive christianity in their flourishing and rapidly growing city. They therefore proposed the formation of a new parish. The result was, the organizing of Trinity Church, which is in an eminently flourishing condition, while St. Paul's continues also to prosper well. The most delightful harmony subsists between the two parishes, the younger being encouraged and strengthened in its good work by the rector and members of the older. This is as it should be, and reflects great credit on our brethren at Buffalo. It stands in proud contrast to the mortifying and humiliating scene so often presented, of efforts for the formation of new parishes being either coldly frowned on, or positively opposed, by older and more favored neighboring churches. True piety, and real devotion to God and his Church, would rather lead to the encouraging of the hearts, and strengthening of the hands, of those who are seeking to enlarge the borders of that Church.

Tuesday, 15, for the parish of St. Peter's Church, Forestville, *Chautauque* county, which is without a house of prayer, preached in the morning, and in the afternoon confirmed 3, in the Methodist Chapel.

Wednesday, 16, in St. Peter's Church, Westfield, confirmed 20, and administered the communion, in the morning, and confirmed 1 in the afternoon.

Saturday, 19, consecrated St. John's Church, Mount Morris, *Livingston* county, confirmed 2, and administered the communion.

In the afternoon, confirmed 3 in St. Mark's Church, Hunt's Hollow, *Alleghany* county.

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity, August 20, preached and administered the communion in St. Paul's Church, Angelica; and preached there again in the afternoon.

Tuesday, 22, in St. James' Church, Hammond's Port, *Steuben* county, confirmed 9 in the morning, and preached again in the afternoon.

Festival of St. Bartholomew the Apostle, Thursday, August 24, in St. Paul's Church, Waterloo, *Seneca* county, admitted the Rev.

Foster Thayer, Deacon, the missionary there, to the Priesthood ; and in the afternoon confirmed 1.

Friday, 25, at Havana, *Chemung* county, preached in the afternoon in the Methodist Chapel, and in the evening confirmed a sick person at her residence.

Saturday, 26, consecrated St. John's Church, Johnson's Settlement, and administered the communion ; and in the afternoon baptized an infant, and confirmed 10.

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity, August 27, consecrated Trinity Church, Elmira, and in the afternoon confirmed 9 therein.

At a later hour, preached in St. Paul's Church, Big Flats.

Monday, 28, preached again in the same church in the morning.

In the afternoon, returning to Elmira, confirmed a sick person at her residence.

Tuesday, 29, in the morning preached for the parish of St. Peter's Church, Owego, *Tioga* county, which is without a house of worship, in the Presbyterian Church.

In the afternoon, baptized an adult, and confirmed 4, in St. John's Church, Richford.

Thursday, 31, preached in Trinity Church, Constantia, *Oswego* county.

Friday, September 1, in the same Church, baptized an adult, and administered the communion ; and in the afternoon, baptized 5 children, and confirmed 3.

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 3, in Christ Church, Sherburne, *Chenango* county, preached and administered the communion, and in the afternoon confirmed 4.

In the evening, preached in Immanuel Church, Norwich.

Monday, 4, in St. Paul's Church, Oxford, admitted John Bayley to Deacon's Orders, and in the afternoon confirmed 3.

Mr. Bayley is now, I am informed, officiating at the Missionary station at Richford, *Tioga* county, and McLean, *Tompkins* county, where he succeeds the Rev. Nathan B. Burgess, who has removed to the station at Rome, *Oneida* county.

Tuesday, 5, in Zion Church, Greene, confirmed 9.

Wednesday, 6, in the morning, confirmed 2 in Grace Church, Mount Upton, and preached there again in the afternoon.

In the evening, baptized 6 children, and confirmed 17, in Christ Church, Gilbertsville, *Otsego* county.

Thursday, 7, preached, and administered the communion, in Immanuel Church, Otego, and preached there again in the afternoon.

Friday, 8, in St. John's Church, Delhi, *Delaware* county, preached and administered the communion; and in the afternoon, confirmed 17.

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 10, in the city of Albany, preached in the morning in St. Paul's Church, and in the afternoon in St. Peter's Church; and in the evening, confirmed 27 in St. Paul's.

Monday, 11, preached in St. Paul's Church in the city of Troy.

Tuesday, 12, for the parish of St. Mark's Church, Hoosick Falls, *Rensselaer* county, baptized an adult, and confirmed 2, in its temporary chapel.

Wednesday, 13, in Christ Church, in the city of Hudson, confirmed 21 in the morning, and preached there again in the evening.

Thursday, 14, in Trinity Church, Athens, *Greene* county, in the morning, baptized an adult, and confirmed 7; and preached again in the evening.

Friday, 15, in St. Luke's Church, Catskill, confirmed 23, and afterwards, at their residence, 2 sick members of the parish.

Saturday, 16, preached in St. Paul's Church, Upper Red Hook, *Dutchess* county.

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity, September 17, in Trinity Church, Ulster, *Ulster* county, confirmed 10 in the morning, and in the afternoon preached again.

In the evening, confirmed 6 in St. John's Church, Kingston.

Tuesday, 19, in St. James' Church, Hyde Park, *Dutchess* county, confirmed 8.

Wednesday, 20, in Zion Church, Wappinger's Creek, baptized an adult, and confirmed 10.

Festival of St. Matthew the Apostle, Thursday, September 21, in St. George's Church, Newburgh, *Orange* county, confirmed 23.

I was happy to find this substantial stone edifice greatly enlarged and improved. Its original construction, the subsequent erection therein of galleries, and its recent enlargement, with the addition of a fine steeple, and great improvement in its internal arrangement and appearance, bear most gratifying testimony to the blessing which has rested on the faithful labors of its rector, who, amidst the fluctuations which so extensively characterize the pastoral connexion, has remained constant at this one post, since, some twenty years ago, he commenced his duties there with a congregation of not more than four or five families.

Saturday, September 23, in St. James' Church, Goshen, confirmed 1.

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 24, in St. Andrew's Church, Walden, confirmed 14, and administered the communion, and preached again in the afternoon.

Tuesday, 26, in St. Philip's Church, Phillipstown, *Putnam* county, confirmed 4, and administered the communion.

Wednesday, 27, preached in the unfinished St. Paul's Church, Peekskill, *Westchester* county.

Thursday, 28, in the Presbyterian Church, Haverstraw, *Rockland* county, baptized 7 children, and preached.

Festival of St. Michael and All Angels, Friday, September 29, in St. Paul's Church, Sing Sing, *Westchester* county, confirmed 7.

Saturday, 30, consecrated Christ Church, Tarrytown.

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity, October 1, in the morning, confirmed 3 in Zion Church, Greenburgh.

In the afternoon, confirmed 3 in Christ Church, Tarrytown.

Wednesday, 4, laid the corner stone of St. Timothy's Church in this city, of which mention was before made as designed for our German population.

The following is a summary of the episcopal acts above detailed :—

Ordained 19 deacons.

Ordained 17 priests.

Instituted 7 rectors and 1 assistant minister.

Confirmed 1252 persons on 96 occasions.

Laid the corner stones of 3 churches.

Consecrated 16 churches.

On all the above occasions on which sermons were preached, that duty was performed by myself, except where otherwise particularly noted.

It has been to me a source of devout gratitude to God to perceive, in my visits to the congregations of the diocese, through the past year, evidences of a state of general prosperity—*temporal* far beyond what I feared would be the consequence of the prevailing temporal distress, but mainly *spiritual*—never, I believe, surpassed in the history of our diocese. Our parishes were never more generally supplied with ministerial services, and our clergy never more actively engaged in their Master's work. The blessed spirit of Christian unity and affection is strongly cherished, and extensively

prevalent; the spirit of true godliness is evidently increasing among us; and certainly I have no recollection of a year in which the services connected with my visitations have been so uniformly well attended. God be blessed for this happy state of things! and may He overrule it to the praise of the glory of His sanctifying and saving grace!

Changes in the Diocese, other than those above-mentioned, are to be noticed as follows:—

The Rev. William Allanson has resigned the missionary station at Stillwater and Mechanicsville, Saratoga county, where he is succeeded by the Rev. Reuben Hubbard, and removed to that at Medina, Orleans county.

The Rev. Ethan Allen, Deacon, has been canonically transferred to the Diocese of Massachusetts.

The Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D., has resigned the office of assistant minister of Trinity Church, and become the rector of St. Mark's Church, in this city.

The Rev. Amos G. Baldwin has resigned the missionary station at Aurora, Cayuga county, and removed to that at Mayville and Jamestown, Chautauque county.

The Rev. Thomas Breintnall, who, for about nineteen years, faithfully and successfully discharged the duties of rector of Zion Church, in this city, has resigned that station, and removed, by canonical dismissal, to the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

He is succeeded by the Rev. William Richmond, who has resigned the rectorship of St. Michael's, St. James', and St. Mary's Churches, where he is succeeded by the Rev. James C. Richmond.

The Rev. John W. Brown, Deacon, has become the minister of St. George's Church, Hallett's Cove, Queen's county, and is also rendering valuable services in aid of the Secretary and General Agent of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions.

The Rev. Hilliard Bryant has resigned his appointment, under that Board, as Missionary to Greece.

The Rev. Richard Bury has resigned the missionary station at Potsdam and Canton, St. Lawrence county.

The Rev. Robert Campbell has become the rector of St. Luke's Church, Monticello, Otsego county.

The Rev. Lucius Carter has removed from the missionary station at Danby, Tompkins county, and Candor, Tioga county, to that at Hunt's Hollow, Allegany county; where he succeeds the Rev. Thomas Meachem, who has removed to that of Centrefield, Ontario county.

The Rev. Peter S. Chauncey has resigned the pastoral charge of St. Thomas' Church, Mamaroneck, Westchester county, confining himself to his very useful labors as rector of Christ Church, Rye; being succeeded, in Mamaroneck, by the Rev. William A. Curtis, who has been canonically transferred to this Diocese from that of Connecticut.

The Rev. Benjamin Dorr has severed his connexion with this Diocese, so long sustained with great usefulness to the Church, and credit to himself, and removed, by canonical dismissal, to that of Pennsylvania. In his office as Secretary and General Agent of the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions, he is succeeded by the Rev. James D. Carder.

The Rev. Edmund Embury has become the missionary at Penn Yan, Yates county.

The Rev. Augustus Fitch has removed, by letter of dismissal, to the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop for Missouri and Indiana.

The Rev. Alexander Frazer has relinquished his very useful labors as missionary in charge of the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists, and entered on those—highly important and faithfully discharged by him—of missionary at large, in this city: in which station, it is his province to go among the poor, ascertain their spiritual and temporal condition, and for the amelioration of the former, direct their attention to our mission churches and their Sunday schools; and for that of the latter, be the almoner, with the advantage of his sound judgment, and prudent discrimination, of the bounty of the pious and the benevolent. And let me, from a knowledge of his peculiar talent for labor so holy and so important, commend his mission to the liberal support of all good Christian people.

He is succeeded in the charge of the Church of the Holy Evangelists by the Rev. Ezra B. Kellogg, the late missionary at the Third Station; which the City Mission Society has, I am sorry to say, for want of sufficient patronage, been compelled to abandon.

The Rev. Reuben J. Germaine, Deacon, has removed, with a letter of dismissal, to the Diocese of New Jersey.

The Rev. Joseph D. Gilbert has resigned the missionary station at Big Flats, Chemung county, and become the rector of Zion Church, Palmyra, Wayne county.

The Rev. Henry Gregory has returned to his former charge as rector of Calvary Church, Homer, Cortlandt county, where he

succeeds the Rev. Charles Jones, who has become rector of St. Andrew's Church, New Berlin, Chenango county.

The Rev. Cicero S. Hawks has resigned the rectorship of Trinity Church, Ulster, Ulster county, and St. Paul's Church, Upper Red Hook, Dutchess county, and become the rector of Trinity Church, Buffalo.

He is succeeded at Ulster and Red Hook by the Rev. Ravaud Kearny, who has resigned the missionary station at Avon, Livingston county, the duties of which are discharged by the Rev. William P. Page, Deacon, missionary at Geneseo.

The Rev. William Jackson has canonically removed to the Diocese of Kentucky, having resigned the rectorship of St. Stephen's Church in this city; where he is succeeded by the Rev. Joseph H. Price; he having resigned the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Albany, and been succeeded by the Rev. William I. Kip, canonically dismissed to this Diocese from that of New-Jersey.

The Rev. Samuel R. Johnson has been canonically transferred to the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop for Missouri and Indiana.

The Rev. Henry R. Judah, a good and faithful servant of the LORD, has departed this life, leaving the Church to mourn the loss of one who was ever zealous and devoted in the Master's service.

The Rev. Charles Luck, and the Rev. Thomas Pyne, originally Presbyters of the Church of England, but canonically connected with this Diocese, having returned to their native country, and failed to make to me their canonical reports, I hereby give notice, that failure for the coming year to make these reports will be considered by me as evidence that they have resumed their original ecclesiastical connexion, and that their names will, accordingly, be stricken from the list of the clergy of this Diocese.

In consequence of rumors unfavorable to the characters of the Rev. Archibald T. K. McCallum, Deacon, and the Rev. Moses Marcus, I appointed, at their request, agreeably to the Canons, a committee, in each case respectively, of three clergymen and two laymen, to inquire whether there was ground for presentment for trial. I am happy to say that, in each case, the committee was unanimously of opinion that there was no ground for presentment.

The Rev. John F. Messenger is the rector of the newly-incorporated St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn; and the Rev. William Mor-

ris, of the newly-incorporated St. Mark's Church, Williamsburgh, King's county.

The Rev. James D. Nicholson, Deacon, has canonically removed to the Diocese of Maryland.

The Rev. Amos Pardee has resigned the missionary station at Malone, Franklin county.

The Rev. Frederick F. Peake, Deacon, has been transferred to the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop for Missouri and Indiana.

The Rev. Henry Peck has resigned the missionary station at Constantia, Oswego county, and become the rector of St. Paul's Church, Paris, Oneida county.

The Rev. Edward Y. Higbee has been canonically transferred from the Diocese of Maryland, and become an assistant minister of Trinity Church, in this city.

The Rev. Robert Shaw, in addition to the duties of his office as rector of St. Andrew's Church, Walden, Orange county, discharges the duties of that of Christ Church, Marlborough, Ulster county.

The Rev. Eli Wheeler, having resigned the rectorship of Zion Church, Little Neck, Queen's county, has removed, by letter of dismission, to the Diocese of Connecticut; and the Rev. Ulysses M. Wheeler, in the same way, to the Diocese of South Carolina.

The Rev. Marshall Whiting has ceased to supply the missionary station at Jamesville, Onondaga county, and now fills that at Onondaga and Geddes, in the same county.

The Rev. George E. Winslow, M. D., now residing in England where he has received Priest's Orders, not having reported himself according to the Canons, I consider, agreeably to notice given in my last conventional address, that his connexion with this Diocese has ceased, and therefore strike his name from the list of its clergy.

The Rev. Amos B. Beach, Deacon, having removed with a letter of dismission from the Diocese of Connecticut, has become the missionary at Walton, Delaware county.

The Rev. George Dennison, having canonically removed from the Diocese of Ohio, is the rector of Grace Church, Lockport, Niagara county.

The Rev. Colley A. Foster, Deacon, canonically removed from the Diocese of Tennessee, is the minister of Trinity Church, Fishkill, Dutchess county.

The Rev. John Morgan has removed, by letter of dismissal, into this Diocese, from that of Maryland.

The Rev. William Staunton has removed, in the same way, from the Diocese of Massachusetts, and become a presbyter of this Diocese. He is very laboriously and usefully employed as the agent of our General Sunday School Union.

The Rev. John A. Vaughan, removed in the same way, from the same Diocese, into this, is the Secretary and General Agent of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions.

The Rev. George S. Porter has been canonically transferred to this Diocese from that of New-Jersey, and the Rev. Frederick J. Goodwin from that of Massachusetts.

The Rev. Russel Wheeler has resigned the rectorship of Christ Church, Lockport, Niagara county.

On the Christian principle that when one member suffers all the members suffer with it, I deem it my duty to notice the recent decease of the venerable prelate who, with so much credit to himself, and usefulness to the people of his charge, presided over the neighboring British Diocese of Quebec, the Right Rev. Charles James Stuart, D. D. He was a Bishop such as Paul, were he on earth, would approve and own. Between the parts of his Diocese and those of our own which are in contact, there exists, I am happy to say, the best of Christian feeling, and their respective pastors maintain that fraternal intercourse which should ever prevail between contiguous portions of the primitive catholic Church. In his Lordship's recent coadjutor, and present successor, the Right Rev. G. J. Mountain, D. D., the Church has a prelate eminently qualified to advance its interests in this western hemisphere.

The present number of clergy in this Diocese is 239, showing an increase, since the last Convention, of 14.

Fifteen clergymen have removed from other Diocese into this, and 16 been transferred from this to others; and three have departed this life.

There are at present in this Diocese 55 candidates for Orders, viz.—

John D. Ogilby, Libertus Van Bokkelen, Henry Lawrence, Frederick A. P. Barnard, William E. Eigenbrodt, George Ogle, James M. Fenn, Samuel Penny, Ebenezer A. Cressey, James Harshaw, William W. Hickox, Isaac Swart, Samuel Cooke, George W.

Nichols, Alfred H. Partridge, Tapping R. Chipman, John B. Gallagher, William Walton, Joseph Hunter, Alfred Stubbs, Isaiah De Grasse, Hobart Williams, Andrew Hull, Francis Vinton, George Sayres, George S. Gordon, George W. Fash, Erastus B. Foote, Thomas Towell, William H. Hughes, John Scovil, Ebenezer Williams, Edwin N. Lightner, Jacob B. Morss, John Martin, jun., William Hall, jun., Thomas J. Ruger, William S. Bartlett, Frederick W. J. Pollard, Caleb Clapp, Samuel M. Haskins, Servilius Stocking, Josiah Perry, Martin P. Greene, D. Hillhouse Buel, Albert D. Traver, Ralph Hoyt, Francis Edwards, Edward Reed, John G. Barton, George D. Gillespie, Charles Aldis, Jesse A. Spencer, John W. Clark, Stephen Douglass.

Joseph G. Knapp has, at his own request, had his name stricken from the list of candidates for orders.

Asa Griswold, not having applied for his first and second examinations within the time specified by the Canon, or assigned to me any reasons therefor, has, agreeably to the Canon, ceased to be a candidate.

Before closing, my brethren, there is one subject which I desire to bring to your notice. The great principle acted on by the General Convention in the missionary concerns of the Church, of bringing their operations under the immediate supervision and control of the Church, without the intervention of subordinate organizations, might, I am satisfied, be carried into more extensive operation. Might it not be well applied to the missionary and education concerns of our Diocese, and to its instrumentality in distributing the Bible, the Book of Common Prayer, and other approved books and tracts? The subject is suggested for your consideration.

And may you, my beloved brethren, in all your deliberations and acts, have the direction and blessing of ALMIGHTY GOD!

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK.

New-York, October 6, 1837.

The Report of the Committee on the alterations in the Constitution, &c., was then called up and read as follows:—

The Committee to whom was referred the communication from the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, of certain amendments proposed in the General Convention of 1835, to the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, on the subject of the Division of Dioceses, together with so much of the Address of the Bishop of this Diocese as relates to a division thereof, with instructions to report thereon,

Respectfully report, That they have given consideration to the subjects thus committed to them, and, as the result of their deliberations, have agreed that the following resolutions should be proposed to this Convention, and recommended for adoption, viz.—

1. *Resolved*, That this Convention approve of the proposed amendments to the Constitution on the subject of the Division of Dioceses.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that this Diocese be divided into two Dioceses, and that the necessary measures be taken preparatory to such a division, in order that it be accomplished as soon as the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention shall admit thereof.

By order of the Committee,

JAMES MILNOR, *Chairman*.

October 5th, 1837.

The Rev. Dr. Hawks moved the following addition to the first resolution reported by the Committee, viz. "And that the Delegates from this Diocese to the next General Convention be instructed to declare the assent of the Church, in the State of New-York, to the changes in the Constitution proposed by the General Convention of 1835, and by that body transmitted to this Convention."

While the matter was under discussion, the hour of adjournment arrived, and the Convention adjourned.

FRIDAY EVENING, 6 O'CLOCK.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Committee on the Incorporation of Churches reported in favor of the reception of the Church of the Messiah, in the city of New-York, and afterwards, in the same way, of St. Clement's, Wethersfield, Genesee county. Accordingly, the Rev. Mr. Colton, rector of the Church of the Messiah, and Mr. B. L. Schieffelin, a Delegate from the same church, took their seats.

The discussion upon the amendment of Dr. Hawks was then resumed.

At seven o'clock, upon the suggestion of the Bishop, the Convention took a recess of half an hour, to allow the Corporation for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Clergymen opportunity to hold a meeting.

Quarter before 8 o'clock.

The Bishop resumed his seat. The Rev. Kendrick Metcalf appeared and took his seat.

The Rev. Dr. Taylor offered the following substitute for Dr. Hawks' amendment, which was accepted by the mover:—"And that the Secretary of this Convention be directed to communicate to the next General Convention a copy of this resolution." This amendment was adopted.

The first resolution proposed by the Committee was then taken up and passed.

While the second resolution was under discussion, a motion

was made to adjourn, which was postponed to allow Rev. Mr. Proal to give notice that he would to-morrow move the adoption of a Canon entitled, of Committees for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, which was then read.

The Bishop appointed Rev. Messrs. Proal and O. H. Smith, and Messrs. De Zeng and J. F. De Peyster, as the Committee to whom this Canon should be referred for a report upon the same. Adjourned.

SATURDAY MORNING, 9 O'CLOCK.

Convention met. Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Orange Clarke. The minutes of last evening's session were read, amended, and accepted.

The Convention then went into the election of supplemental Delegates to the General Convention, when the following gentlemen were elected, viz.—

Rev. Drs. Eastburn, McVickar, Berrian and Bayard, of the clergy; and Wm. Johnson, P. G. Stuyvesant, John T. Irving and Floyd Smith, Esqs., of the laity.

The Standing Committee on the Treasurer's Report presented their report, which was read and concurred in.

The Standing Committee to whom was referred the Treasurer's account, respectfully report—That they have examined the same, and carefully compared them with vouchers, and found them correct.

EDWARD P. LIVINGSTON,
M. CLARKSON.

New-York, October 6, 1837.

*The Convention of the Diocese of New-York in account current with
C. N. S. Rowland, Treasurer.*

Oct. 8, 1836.		DR.	
To Cash paid	Rev. Clergy for mileage,	- -	\$298 99
"	Swords, Stanford & Co., stationary,	- -	1 75
"	Rev. Dr. Anthon, Treasurer of the	- -	
"	General Convention,	- -	102 50
"	Jacob Bininger, candles,	- -	11 63
"	Protestant Episcopal Press on ac-	- -	
"	count,	- -	495 85
			<hr/> 910 72
"	Benjamin M. Brown, Esq., Treasurer of the	- -	
"	Education and Missionary Society,	- -	595 89
"	Benjamin M. Brown, Esq., Treasurer of the	- -	
"	Education Fund,	- -	238 24
"	Hubert Van Wagenen, Esq., Treasurer of the	- -	
"	Episcopal Fund,	- -	349 75
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By Cash received from	84 parishes for the Diocesan Fund,	- -	910 72
"	58 parishes for the Missionary Fund,	- -	595 89
"	29 parishes for the Education Fund,	- -	238 24
"	53 parishes for the Episcopal Fund,	- -	349 75
			<hr/> 2094 60

C. N. S. ROWLAND, Treasurer.

New-York, October 3, 1837.

The Standing Committee on the General Theological Seminary presented the following Report:—

The Standing Committee on the General Theological Seminary submit the following as their report to the Convention:—

The Diocese of New-York, at the meeting of the General Convention in August, 1835, was entitled to and allowed fifty-two trustees. Since that period, the number of its clergy has increased from one hundred and ninety-eight to two hundred and forty, which, at the rate of one trustee to eight clergymen, gives it five and a quarter new trustees. By the Treasurer's Report, the sum of \$57,587 94 have been contributed on the part of this Diocese to the funds of the institution since 1835, which, at the rate of one trustee for every \$10,000, gives it five and three-quarter trustees, making the number of new trustees twelve, and the whole number to which the Diocese is entitled, sixty-four. Of the fifty-two trustees, allowed to New-York in 1835, there are at present on the printed list, attached to the proceedings of the Board of Trustees, only forty-five names, showing *seven* vacancies. These, together with the twelve new trustees, will make the number now to be nominated nineteen. It is highly probable that, by the time the General Convention acts upon the subject, there will be several more names added to the list of the clergy in this Diocese: and your Committee suggest the nomination of *two* provisional trustees to meet such a contingency. Should the Diocese not be entitled to both provisional trustees, the delegates from this Diocese may select which of the two shall be nominated to the General Convention.

The Committee recommend the following as suitable persons to be nominated on the part of this Diocese to the next General Convention as trustees.

Rev. A. H. Crosby,
Hugh Smith,
Isaac Pardee,
Robert W. Harris,

Rev. Edward Y. Higbee,
William Richmond,
William Lucas,
Benjamin I. Haight.

James N. Wells,
Matthew Clarkson,
George Jones,
Nathaniel B. Holmes,
Edward P. Livingston,
Henry Van Rensselaer,

John Pintard,
Thomas H. Hubbard,
William M. Price,
James F. De Peyster,
James Smith.

And for provisional trustees—

Rev. Edward N. Mead,

Rev. Dr. Hale.

The Committee therefore offer the following resolutions for adoption by the Convention:—

Resolved, That the nineteen persons first above-named be Trustees of the General Theological Seminary on the part of this Diocese.

Resolved, That the two last named persons be Provisional Trustees on the part of this Diocese, to be recommended to the next General Convention, should it be found at the meeting of that body, that the Diocese is entitled to more than the additional number which she now claims.

Resolved, That should this Diocese not be entitled to both the Provisional Trustees, the Delegates from this Diocese shall decide which of them shall be nominated to the General Convention.

On behalf of Committee,

W. CREIGHTON, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolutions proposed by the Committee were adopted.

The Special Committee on the proposed Canon, "Of Committees for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge," presented a report, which was laid on the table:

PROPOSED CANON,

Of Committees for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge.

1. At every annual meeting of the Convention there shall be appointed by vote, on nomination by a committee, three committees, each consisting of eight persons resident in the City of New-York: four of whom shall be clergymen, and four laymen, to be respectively denominated the Missionary; the Education; and the Book Committee. These committees shall have power in their several departments to make all necessary arrangements for carrying on the missionary operations of the Diocese—the education of young men for the ministry—and the distribution of the Bible and Book of Common Prayer; and the adoption, publication, and distribution of religious tracts and books within this Diocese. They shall have power to fill any vacancies in their number which may occur during the recess of the Convention, and to enact all by-laws which they may deem necessary for their own government.

2. The Bishop of the Diocese shall be *ex officio* president of each committee. In his absence, the senior presbyter present at any meeting shall preside at the same.

3. Each committee shall present an annual report of their proceedings to the Convention.

4. At all meetings of the committees, four members shall form a quorum, of whom at least one shall be a clergyman.

5. Each committee shall appoint a secretary from their own number; and also a treasurer, who shall be *ex officio* a member of the committee.

6. The Book Committee shall have authority to receive contributions of money, to be applied to distributions without the limits of this State, and to make such distributions to the amount of any moneys specially contributed for that object.

7. It is required that every congregation in this Diocese make an annual contribution in aid of the Missionary fund, of the Education fund, and of the Book fund. The amount of such annual contributions shall be reported to the stated Convention next after they have been made, and shall be entered upon the Journals. The mode to be adopted, and the measures to be taken for obtaining such annual contributions, are left to the discretion of the rectors or ministers in their respective parishes.

8. There shall be, under the direction of the respective committees, four public celebrations in each year: viz. one on the evening of the first day of the Convention, and at the place of the meeting thereof; one on the evening of the Festival of the Epiphany, in the City of New-York; and two others at such periods of the year, and in such parts of the Diocese, as the Bishop may appoint.

9. Canon XV. is hereby repealed.

The discussion of the second resolution reported by the Committee on the Alterations of the Constitution, &c., being the order of the day, was then resumed, and the resolution was adopted; whereupon the Bishop officially announced his consent to the measure.*

* I think it proper to put on record, as a note to this portion of the Journal, the substance of the remarks which I made to the Convention immediately before it entered on the consideration of the report of the Committee, and of those with which I announced my consent to the resolution that it is expedient to divide the Diocese. It is as follows:—

Many of my brethren of the Clergy and Laity, in various parts of the Diocese, having expressed a kind and affectionate solicitude to know my feelings and views touching a division of it, I have replied to them severally,

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Milnor, the following resolutions were adopted :

Resolved, That in order to carry into effect the foregoing resolutions, the Bishop be respectfully requested to call a Special Convention of this Diocese at such time as will enable the Diocese to bring the subject fully matured before the next General Convention, for the consummation of the proposed division.

Resolved, That a Committee of seven clergymen and six laymen be appointed to confer with the Bishop, and designate the boundary line between the two Dioceses into which it is proposed to divide this, and to report the same to the said Special Convention.

The Chair announced the following gentlemen as the Committee mentioned in the foregoing resolution, viz. the Rev. Dr. Potter, the Rev. Messrs. Proal, O. Clark, Gregory, W. Shelton, Whipple, and Van Ingen ; and Messrs. John C. Spencer, William S. De Zeng, Stephen Warren, William H. Seward, William C. Pierrepont, and Amasa Parker.

The Bishop having, by request, left the Chair, the following resolution, offered by the Rev. Dr. Potter, having been put by the Secretary, was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That this Convention entertain a deep and grateful sense of the manner in which the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of this

as I would now do to such of them as are present, and to their fellow members of the Convention, and in accordance with the view taken by me in the last General Convention, and our next succeeding Diocesan Convention, that the division of a large Diocese is, in my opinion, the only proper remedy for the impracticability, growing out of the increase of the Church therein, of its being duly served by a single Bishop. It is therefore obvious that such remedy must, at no very distant day, be applied by the Diocese of New York, should the adoption of the now pending proposed alteration of the Constitution of our General Church admit of it. So far I deem it my duty to express a decided opinion.

On the questions *when* this division must be made ; and whether it is expedient *now* to adopt measures for an immediate division in the event of the above mentioned proposed alteration being ratified by the next General Convention, I beg that there may not be a reference to myself ; for I have no other wish respecting them than that the Diocese, through its Clergy and Lay Delegates, in Convention assembled, should do what it deliberately thinks the interests of the Church require. It is well able to determine this point ; and I am anxious that its decision—be it what it may—should be made on those general grounds on which only a question of such grave and momentous general interest should be settled. I do not wish that, for my sake, the Diocese should either be divided or kept together. The parting with any portion of a flock to the whole of which my heart is bound by the most affectionate ties, and I owe a debt of gratitude which can never be paid for its uniform kindness and love, will indeed be most painful to me. But it is not right for me to indulge in selfish feelings. I ought not to hesitate for a moment in making any sacrifices for the good of the Church, and for the best interests of so dear a portion of it. The action of the Convention, therefore, has my heartfelt sanction and consent. And I pray God that it may be blest to His glory, to the good of His holy Church, and to the spiritual and eternal welfare of all the beloved members of my Diocese.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK.

Diocese has acceded to a division of the same, a measure which, though expedient on general grounds, must, by separating him from a beloved portion of his charge, be a source to him personally of great pain.

The Bishop resumed the Chair.

The report of the Special Committee on the Proposed Canon was then called up; whereupon it was, on motion of Rev. Dr. Anthon,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address to the Convention as refers to the subject of the missionary and education operations of the Diocese, and the distribution of the Bible and Book of Common Prayer, &c., be referred to a Special Committee of seven, of which the Bishop shall be chairman.

Resolved, That the proposed Canon be referred to the same Committee.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Anthon, and the Rev. Messrs. Haight and E. M. Johnson, and Messrs. T. L. Ogden, Floyd Smith, and James F. De Peyster, on this Committee.

On motion, the election of a Treasurer by ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and Mr. Charles N. S. Rowland was re-appointed.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Schroeder, *Resolved*, That the Report of the Committee on the expediency of applying to the Legislature for an alteration of the Acts respecting the Incorporation of Churches, appended to the last Journal, be laid over until the next Convention.

The Standing Committee on the Diocesan Fund made the following Report, which was, on motion, concurred in:

The Committee on the proper appropriation of the money received into the Diocesan Fund, having considered the subjects referred to them, respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That there be paid to the Clergy entitled to the benefit of the said Fund, who reside more than twenty miles from this city, four cents for every mile of the distance from their respective parishes; and that the remainder be appropriated to the printing of the Journal, the liquidating of the debt of the Convention, and such other purposes as the Convention may direct.

L. P. BAYARD,
O. H. SMITH,
C. N. S. ROWLAND.

The Secretary was directed to have 2500 copies of the Journal printed.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Anthon, the following preamble and resolution were adopted:

Whereas the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary have been constrained to appeal to the churches of our communion throughout the United States, for collections or contributions to meet the current expenses of the Seminary for the next five years; and whereas the extent and affluence of the Diocese, the permanent establishment of the Seminary within her

borders, and the momentous object of theological education, are considerations which most impressively demand of the Churchmen of the State of New-York a prompt, united and liberal response to this appeal—

Therefore *Resolved*, That this Convention do fully recognize the peculiar claims of the Seminary to the zealous support of the Episcopalians of this Diocese.

Resolved, That the Convention do earnestly recommend to the clergy, who may have the charge of congregations, and to the vestries of Churches destitute of ministers, to have the collections contemplated by the Trustees made on or before the Sunday after Ascension Day, in every year.

The minutes of the morning's session were then read and approved.

The Convention having united with the Bishop in singing and prayers, and having received his blessing, adjourned *sine die*.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, D. D.,

Bishop of the Diocese of New-York, and President of the Convention.

Attest,

FRANCIS L. HAWKS, D. D., *Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

NO. I.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

The following portions of the parochial reports are published by direction of the Bishop :

St. Paul's Church, Albany ; the Rev. WILLIAM I. KIP, Rector.

The present Rector commenced his labors in this parish on the first of July last. Number of communicants at that time, about 101 ; added during the last three months, 8 ; removed from the city, 2 ; present number, 107. Baptisms, during the same period, (infants,) 13 ; marriages, 6 ; funerals, 9.

Number of teachers in the Sunday school, 16 ; scholars, 128. On the 10th of September last, 26 persons were confirmed.

St. Peter's Church, Albany ; the Rev. HORATIO POTTER, Rector.

Communicants (removed 5, died 2, added 12) 185. Baptisms (infants 45, adult 1) 46. Marriages 24. Funerals 19.

Collections and contributions :—

For this Diocese, Missions and other purposes, as required by canons,	\$180 00
General Missionary Society, domestic,	225 00
Do. do. foreign,	125 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	20 00
Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union,	20 00
Other contributions from the Sunday school to missions, and from the congregation to parochial, city and other charities, about	500 00

Of the above sum, \$100 was contributed by the "Ladies' Society of Industry." They have also contributed two or three hundred dollars to enable the Rector to procure temporary assistance in his ministerial duties.

The Sunday school continues to be an instrument of much good, both to teachers and scholars. Teachers 27, scholars about 150, including infant school and Bible class. The Bible class is under the charge of the Rev. Mr. Buel, the temporary assistant of the Rector. The infant school is chiefly for the poor. In connection with the ordinary exercises of the Sunday school, the children are occasionally catechised by the Rector. It should perhaps be stated, that notwithstanding the present pecuniary distress, \$470 have been contributed to the general purposes of the Church within the last three days.

There seems to be much in the state of the congregation that ought to be highly gratifying ; but the Rector is free to confess, and he does so with some degree of sadness and solicitude, that he is yet far from the attainment of his wishes.

Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, Albany county; the Rev. SAMUEL FULLER, Rector.

Baptisms (children) 7; Marriages 2; Communicants (added 5, died 3) 52; Sunday school teachers 6, scholars about 40; Library, about 80 small volumes.

Collections :

Tract,	-	-	-	-	\$5 25
Missionary,	-	-	-	-	6 35
Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	4 50

A collection will soon be made for the Theological Seminary.

Christ Church, Binghamton, Broome county; the Rev. EDWARD ANDREWS, Rector.

Scholars in the Sunday school 80; assistant teachers 12. Communicants (added 7, died 2, removed 12) total 55; Baptisms (adults 1, infants 6) total 7; Marriages 5; Burials 5.

Though the congregation are still in debt to the amount of \$500, yet during the past year, they have raised upwards of \$100 for Sunday school and other local objects. The canonical contributions are small in amount, but have been made to show respect to the requisitions of the Church.

St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga county; the Rev. WILLIAM LUCAS, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 3, infants 22) 25; Confirmed 33; Marriages 5; Funerals 17; Communicants (added 21, died 7, removed 6) whole number 127.

The collections for the last year have been much smaller than, at its commencement, we had reason to expect. It is hoped, however, that the circumstances which occasioned the deficiency will soon be remedied.

To the Diocesan Fund nine dollars have been paid; and one to the Episcopal Fund. There are now about eighty dollars in the hands of the Treasurer, collected for Missionary purposes, which will be forwarded by him in a short time.

The condition of the parish is quite as good, and its prospects as encouraging, as at any preceding period. The services of the Church are well attended, and there is an evident, though gradual and slow improvement among the people in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenango county; the Rev. NORMAN H. ADAMS, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 2, adult 1) 3; Funerals 2; Communicants (added 3, removed 3) 35; Sunday scholars about 30, teachers 10.

Collections :—

Tract Society, after sermon,	-	-	-	-	\$4 50
Missionary Society,	-	-	-	-	5 50
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	1 25
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	1 00

\$12 25

St. Andrew's Church, New Berlin, Chenango county; the Rev. CHARLES JONES, Rector.

The present incumbent, who took charge of this parish in the beginning of November last, regrets his inability to report more favorably of its spiritual state.

Although there is reason to hope, that the salutary influence of the gospel has been extended to some, the disregard manifested, by others, to the claims

of religion, has been a source of painful regret. Within the last few months, however, the congregation has been rather on the increase, and the liberality of the parish has undergone no diminution. A new organ has been purchased, in the course of the past year, at a cost of \$350. The ladies who belong to the Knitting Society have also paid for re-painting part of the church. The Sunday school, which is not kept up in the winter season, is small, but interesting. Teachers (male 4, female 4) 8; scholars (male 14, female 18) whole number 32. I have usually opened and closed its meetings, and have frequently delivered addresses to the children, besides publicly examining and instructing them in the Church catechism.

In addition to my regular services at New Berlin on Sundays, and on the principal fast and festival days, I have officiated three times at Burlington, once at Columbus, and once at Edmeston.

Baptisms (adults 1, children 7) 8; Marriages 4; Burials 13; Communicants (removed 2, added 3) 48.

Collections:—

For the Education and Missionary Society,	- -	\$20 00
For the Diocesan Fund,	- -	3 51

Donations:—

For the purchase of Sunday school books,	- -	8 30
" " Domestic Missionary Society,	- -	12 75
" " Central Bible and Prayer Book Society,	- -	6 00

\$50 56

St. Paul's Church, Oxford, Chenango county; the Rev. LEVERETT BUSH, Rector.

Communicants 70, Baptisms (infants) 6, Marriages 4, Burials 6, Sunday scholars 40.

Collections:—

Missionary,	- -	\$6 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	- -	6 00
Tract Society,	- -	6 00

The Female Missionary and Education Society has raised from 15 to \$16.

Christ Church, Hudson; the Rev. ISAAC PARDEE, Rector.

Communicants (added 18, removed 7, died 2) present number 105; Baptisms (adults 3, children 14) 17; Burials 16; Confirmations 21.

Collections:—

Diocesan Fund,	- -	10 50
Education and Missionary Society,	- -	17 30
Missionary Branch,	- -	47 50
Sunday School Union,	- -	28 30
Tract Society,	- -	14 50
Domestic Missions,	- -	36 63

Sunday school—number of scholars 125, number of teachers 20.

The school is more flourishing than at any period. The number of scholars has been nearly doubled during the past year. The Rector of the parish personally superintends the school, and delivers a familiar lecture to the children on each Sunday. And he would here record his thanks for the very great assistance which he has received from a most faithful band of teachers. A Bible class has been held during most of the year, principally on Sunday evenings, consisting of between 60 and 70 members. A course of weekly evening lectures was delivered during the past winter; and during Passion Week, the church was opened, and lectures delivered on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. The attendance upon the public services has been uniformly good, and it is believed there is a growing interest in spiritual concerns. The congregation have had to contend with some adverse circumstances in temporal matters, but still the condition of the church, on the whole, is decidedly encouraging.

Calvary Church, Homer, Cortland county; the Rev. HENRY GASKOBY, Rector.

This parish was without a settled minister from the time of the last Convention until the 13th June, of the present year, at which time the present Rector resumed his charge. The late estimable senior warden of the parish, Augustus Donnelly, Esq. conducted lay services during the time that the congregation had no minister. By his recent decease the congregation has suffered a most painful loss. He was universally esteemed as a Christian and philanthropist, and by his zeal and activity in every good work, made himself an invaluable citizen and member of the Church.

The number of families and communicants in the congregation has been diminished, during the year, by removals.

Present number of Episcopalian families 22; baptized adults who are not communicants 13; baptized children under 14 years of age 30; Baptisms *within the year*, adults 0, children 1; Communicants (died 2, removed 7, added 3) 36; Marriages 2; Funerals 2; scholars in the Sunday school (male 19, female 31) total 50; teachers in ditto (male 4, female 6) 10; Sunday school library 225 volumes; parish library 113 volumes.

All the children of the Sunday school are instructed in the Church catechism, and publicly examined before the congregation in the same, once in three months.

The contributions of the congregation for the last three months, are as follows:

Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese:

Education Department, - - -	\$2 00
Missionary do. - - -	5 00
Committee on Domestic Missions, - - -	5 00
Sunday school purposes, - - -	9 75
Central Bible and Prayer Book Society, - - -	3 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, - - -	1 00
General Theological Seminary, - - -	2 00
Diocesan Fund, - - -	1 00
Episcopal Fund, - - -	0 50

Total, \$29 25

The method of providing for these contributions by weekly offerings in the church, has been adopted, and in practice for the last three months. For ordinary purposes, collections are made in no other way.

St. John's Church, Delhi, Delaware County; the Rev. THOMAS S. JUDD, Rector.

Families (removed 6, added 9) 50; Baptisms (infants 9, adults 3) 12; Confirmed 12; Communicants (removed 7, died 1, added 12) 58; Burials 9; Marriages 4. Sunday school, teachers 8, scholars 60.

St. Peter's Church, Hobart, Delaware county; the Rev. DAVID HUNTINGTON, Rector.

Baptisms (children) 13, Marriages 6, Burials 7, Communicants 60.

Four persons of this parish were confirmed at Delhi, at the last Episcopal visit to that church.

There is a Sunday school opened every Sunday in the church—about 12 teachers, and a proportionate number of scholars. The school is free, and all those avail themselves of it who choose to do so.

A collection has been made for the Diocesan Missionary Society.

Some of the oldest parishioners are of the opinion that they have never known the congregation to be so numerous in attending upon divine service as during the past year.

Trinity Church, Fishkill, Dutchess county; the Rev. COLLY A. FOSTER, Deacon, Minister.

The present incumbent assumed, on the 3d ultimo, the arduous undertaking of resuscitating this aged parish, which, from untoward circumstances, has been reduced to a few families. The remnant of the congregation is much scattered. But if zeal and faithfulness in blowing the gospel trumpet will rally its members around the standard of the Church, the present minister shall not be found wanting at his post: for thus alone can he look for the divine blessing on his labors. He found the skeleton of a Sunday school, which by dint of the zealous and assiduous exertions of a young lady of the parish, has been kept together. Notwithstanding the short period he has been among them, the school is increasing. The number of scholars (males 11, females 6) 17; teachers, (including the minister, males 2, females 2) 4; baptism (infant) 1.

Collection for the Diocesan Fund, - - - \$4 50.

The parish is too feeble to exact further contributions from it. A very recent acquaintance with it will, I trust, be a sufficient apology for so incomplete a report.

St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, Dutchess county; the Rev. ANTHONY TEN BROECK, Deacon, Minister.

Baptisms (adults 3, infants 5) 8; Confirmed 13; Marriage 1; Funerals 11; Communicants (added 15, removed 6, died 2) 40.

Contributions:—

General P. E. S. S. Union, - - - -	\$15 64
Domestic Missions, - - - -	34 05
Education, - - - -	5 00
Diocesan Missions, - - - -	15 00
Diocesan Fund, - - - -	10 00

Sunday school—22 teachers, and about 150 scholars.

The Sunday school is under the immediate supervision of the pastor, who conducts the catechetical exercises, in which the whole school unite, after instruction by the teachers. The books used are selected from those published by the Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union. The school is in a flourishing condition, and is an object of much interest with the congregation.

No other classes for religious instruction have yet been formed. Arrangements for the approaching season are now in contemplation.

St. James' Church, Hyde Park, Dutchess county; the Rev. REUBEN SHERWOOD, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 3, infants 16) 19; Confirmations 35; Marriage 1; Communicants (removed 6, added 17) 52; Burials (of persons not belonging to the parish 7) 12; Sunday scholars about 80; average attendance 50.

In order to meet the demand for seats, the interior of the church has been altered so as to make two aisles instead of one. The church has been newly painted throughout, and is altogether very much improved; by this arrangement, nine additional pews have been gained, and the whole have been rented, at an advance of about \$200 beyond any previous year.

By a partial introduction of the plan of systematic offerings, there have been collected,

For the Missionary and Education Society, -	\$40 00
" Episcopal Fund, - - - -	9 00
" Diocesan Fund, - - - -	12 00

Besides about \$100 for the poor, and other parish purposes.

Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county; the Rev. JOHN REED, D. D., Rector.

Communicants 204; Baptisms (11 adults, 26 children) 37; Marriages 24; Confirmed 46; Funerals 36; Sunday scholars 94; teachers 14.

Collections :—

For Education and Missionary Society, - - -	\$22 09
For Home Branch of General Missionary Society, - - -	25 00
By the Ladies Association, to the Missionary Branch of the Education and Missionary Society, - - -	50 00
Beside which, the congregation have contributed \$2100 for the purchase of a bell and organ.	

St. Paul's Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county; the Rev. FREDERICK W. HATCH, Rector.

The Rector reports his prospects of usefulness and of the early formation of a full and respectable congregation as highly encouraging. The morning attendance in the stated services is uniformly good and highly respectable; in the afternoon full, devout and attentive. At his first communion service more than 30 participated; 2 were received as new communicants, and several are now applicants for confirmation. A Sunday school has been organized, containing nearly 40 scholars, with 9 teachers. Also, a Bible class numbering 15. The church edifice is complete, and is really a beautiful structure, reflecting the highest credit on those gentlemen who have undertaken and carried through, with so much liberality, this noble undertaking. From the members of Christ Church, so far as his acquaintance with them has extended, and also from the Rector of that church, the Rector of St. Paul's has experienced only kindness and attention.

Marriage 1, Baptism 1.

Zion Church, Wappinger's Creek, Dutchess county; the Rev. GEORGE B. ANDREWS, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 2, children 3) 5; Confirmations 10; Communicants (removed 1, added 9) present number 21; Marriage 1; Funerals 5; Sunday scholars 105, usual attendance from 70 to 80.

Collections :—

Education and Missionary Society, collected in church, - - -	\$15 71
Missionary Box of Sunday school, - - - - -	2 13
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	\$17 84
Protestant Episcopal Sunday school Union, - - - - -	10 06

St. Paul's Church, Buffalo; the Rev. WILLIAM SHELTON, Rector.

The parish is in its usual condition of prosperity.

There have been during the past year, 50 Baptisms, 1 adult; 11 Confirmed; 28 Marriages; and 20 Burials.

There have been so many changes, owing to the fluctuating nature of the population, that an accurate statement cannot be made of the number of Communicants. There are about 100.

Collections :

For Missionary purposes, from the congregation, - - -	\$90 00
From Female Missionary Society, - - - - -	60 00
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	\$150 00

Trinity Church, Buffalo; the Rev. CICERO S. HAWKS, Rector.

This parish was organized, as the certificate of incorporation will show, on the 12th day of October, 1836. I was invited to become its first Rector, in January, 1837, and commenced my services on Whitsunday the 14th of May last.

Divine service is at present held in a room fitted for the accommodation of 400 people. More than fifty families are connected with the parish, and the congregation is daily increasing. Owing to the liberality of the members of St. Paul's Church, Buffalo, and the earnest zeal of the members of this new congregation, the corporation is possessed of \$2600 for the necessary expenses of the year. Beside this, for other charitable purposes, this new congregation has contributed more than \$300.

There is a Sunday school connected with the parish, of 225 children, taught by 25 teachers.

Baptisms (adults 4, infants 6) total 10; Confirmations 16; Communicants 45; Marriages 3; Burials 4. Libraries—Parish library containing 150 volumes; Sunday school library 80 volumes.

St. James' Church, Batavia, Genesee county; the Rev. JAMES A. BOLLES, Rector.

Communicants (added 16, removed 3, death 1) total 75; Baptisms (adults 4, infants 24) total 28; Confirmed 8; Funerals 14; Marriages 6.

The Rector is in the habit of opening the church for Divine service every Wednesday and Friday during the season of Lent, and of delivering a course of Lectures. On Sundays a third service is held about six miles from Batavia at "Ellicott's Mills," where we hope soon to have an organized and flourishing church.

The Sunday school numbers about 60 regular attendants. The Bible class has been suspended about two months, but will be commenced again the first of November.

Contributions:—

To the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society	\$35 51
Missionary and Education Society, - - -	10 00
Convention Fund, - - - - -	5 00
For furnishing a Communion Set to a neighboring church, - - - - -	150 00
	<u>\$200 51</u>

St. Mark's Church, Le Roy, Genesee county; the Rev. KENDRICK METCALF, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 9, adult 1) 10; Marriages 6; Communicants (added 8, removed 15, died 3) 73; Funerals 12; scholars in the Sunday school 50; teachers in Sunday school 14.

Offerings of the Church, for Diocesan purposes:—

Missionary and Education Society, (Missions \$80, Education 25,) - - - - -	\$105 00
New York Bible and Prayer book Society, - - -	10 00
New York Tract Society, - - - - -	10 00
Diocesan Fund, - - - - -	6 00
Episcopal Fund, - - - - -	4 00

For general purposes:—

To the Domestic Committee of General Missions, -	75 00
Foreign Committee, - - - - -	20 00
General Sunday school Union, - - - - -	20 00
Communion money expended in the parish, -	39 65
Offerings of the Sunday school to the cause of Missions, - - - - -	20 33

The plan of systematic charity mentioned in the last report, has been well sustained, notwithstanding the prevailing financial pressure, the contributions being more than double those of any year previous to its adoption. The parish has not been visited by any agent during the year.

A Bible class has been held on every Thursday evening. Lectures were

delivered on Wednesday and Friday evenings during Lent ; and the church has been opened for Divine service on the principal fasts and festivals. Several families have removed from the parish during the year ; in other respects its condition is prosperous.

Trinity Church, Athens, Greene county; the Rev. LEWIS THIBOU, Jun., Rector.

Baptisms (infants 7, adult 1, by the Bishop) total 8 ; Confirmed 7 ; Communicants (died 1, removed 3, added 5, additional names of old Communicants recovered 2) present number 81 ; Marriages 6 ; Burials (of adults 4, infants 5) total 9 ; Sunday school teachers, about 10 ; average attendance of scholars 55.

Contributions :—

For the Diocesan Missionary Society, . . .	\$35 00
For the General Missionary Society, . . .	35 00
For the General Sunday School Union, . . .	22 14
For the Bible and Prayer Book Society, . . .	5 00
For the Tract Society, . . .	3 00
For the Episcopal Fund, . . .	5 00
For the Education Society, . . .	6 00

Making with the contribution to the Diocesan Fund, a total of \$117 14.

It is deemed proper here to notice an error in the printed journal of the last Convention, making the number of Sunday scholars in this parish, 160. The number should have been 60. A Bible class has been instructed until within the last 6 months, and is to be resumed immediately.

St. Luke's Church, Catskill, Greene county; the Rev. JOSEPH F. PHILLIPS, Rector.

The parish consists of 59 families, comprising (with individual worshippers) about 290 persons.

Since the last report, there have been, Baptisms (adults 15, children 23) 38 ; Burials (adults 6, children 7) 13 ; Marriages 8 ; Confirmations 25. The number of Communicants (last reported 79, there have been added 20, 6 have removed, and 1 has died) 92.

There have been made the following Collections : viz.

For the Education and Missionary Fund, (Missionary Branch,) \$21 46	
For the Episcopal Fund, . . .	5 04
For the Diocesan Fund, contributed by the "Ladies' Benevolent Society," . . .	5 00
For the General Missionary Society, (Domestic Branch,) . . .	23 65

There have been two services on Sunday during the year, and occasionally three ; the festivals and fasts have been commemorated by the proper services, and sermons preached on the principal ; on others, sermons or portions of sermons from approved authors read ; during Lent, services on Wednesdays and Fridays ; and during Passion Week, daily : the Holy Communion is administered monthly. The Sunday school contains about 100 children : they are examined and instructed monthly by the Rector, in the catechism ; the weekly instruction of the school administered under the personal supervision of the Rector, by two superintendents and ten to twelve teachers ; average attendance of children during the summer, about 75. Parish and Sunday school library of about 250 volumes. "Ladies' Benevolent Society" in operation. The depressed state of business and consequent suspension of the execution of an important public project, in which much of the wealth of the parish was invested, have subjected the financial affairs of the parish to much embarrassment ; but the Rector is happy to report an increase of religious sensibility and practical piety ; and, what is a necessary consequence, increased devotion to the Church and her edifying worship and usages.

Trinity Church, Watertown, Jefferson county ; the Rev. CHARLES G. ACLE, Deacon, Minister.

The present minister of this church entered upon his duties in August last; and consequently, so little time having elapsed, he has but little information to communicate, except what is drawn from the parish register.

Baptisms (infants) 8; Marriage 1; Funerals 7; Communicants (added 8, removed 5) present number 53.

Collections:—

Missionary Fund, - - - - -	\$7 50
Diocesan Fund, - - - - -	7 18

Christ Church, Brooklyn. A vacant parish.

The first regular services were commenced on the first Sunday after Easter, in a chapel recently erected, of the dimensions of 30 by 60 feet, neatly furnished with pews, pulpit and organ, and carpeted aisles. Notwithstanding the disadvantages unavoidably attending the commencement of such an undertaking, depending upon temporary supplies of public clerical services, and deprived of all other kinds of pastoral aid, still a congregation has been gathered, nearly sufficient to fill the chapel; and of a character, it is believed, that will enliven and aid to a delightful degree the labors of him who shall hereafter be called to minister to their spiritual wants. The success which has thus far attended this enterprise, has greatly exceeded the most sanguine expectations of its friends; and the belief that there now exists the germ of one of the finest congregations in the state, encourages them to increased efforts in its behalf.

A Sunday school of more than 100 scholars is now in successful operation in the basement of the chapel, the teachers of which are mostly heads of families, and meet weekly for the study of the Scripture lessons for the succeeding Sunday.

Baptisms 3, Communicants about 40.

St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn ; the Rev. BENJAMIN C. CUTLER, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms 54, Marriages 12, Deaths 38, Communicants (added 37, died 7, removed 12) 390.

Contributions for various charitable objects from this parish the past year, \$2600.

The disasters in the commercial community have been felt by this congregation, and have impaired its power of doing: but we are thankful to God that we have not suffered as much as others.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

No. 1—13 male and 25 female teachers: in all, 38 teachers, and 330 scholars. In the library, 969 volumes.

No. 2—15 teachers, and 100 scholars. In the library, 300 volumes.

An expensive improvement in Sunday school accommodation is now making.

St. John's Church, Brooklyn ; the Rev. EVAN M. JOHNSON, Rector ; the Rev. JACOB W. DILLER, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms (children) 99, Marriages 35, Communicants (removed 20, died 5) whole number 117.

The following sums, beside additional contributions for parochial purposes, have been collected in the church:

For the Sunday school,	- - -	\$59 00
Missionaries,	- - -	20 00
Education,	- - -	75 00
By the Ladies' Benevolent Society,	- - -	420 00

The Sunday school consists of 20 teachers and 194 children. The catechism has been regularly taught. The library contains many valuable books for the use of the congregation, beside those provided for children, amounting in all to 494 volumes.

Prayers are offered in this church on every Wednesday morning throughout the year. A Missionary lecture is held once in every month, and a lecture on Friday afternoon previous to every administration of the Holy Communion.

There have been organized during the past year, two new Episcopal congregations in this city. A number of families and communicants, residing in their immediate vicinity, have left this church, and attached themselves to them. The Rector has been absent in Great Britain during the past summer, and the whole duty of the parish has been very satisfactorily discharged by the Assistant Minister.

St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn ; the Rev. JOHN F. MESSENGER, Rector.

This church, which was organized about 18 months since, owes its origin to the zeal and fostering care of the clergy of Brooklyn. The utter destitution of all religious worship, amid a population of above 1000 souls within one and a half miles of the heart of this city, presented an appeal which was readily answered, and has resulted in the erection of a small neat place of worship, and the collection of a congregation which is fast increasing. Up to the first of May last, the pious labors of a lay reader, with the occasional services of the clergy before mentioned, kept alive and matured the undertaking. At that period, the present incumbent assumed the charge, and the following offices have since been performed: Five infants have been baptized, two funerals attended, one marriage solemnized, and the Holy Communion administered to ten individuals.

The Sunday school has, within a few weeks, undergone a re-organization, and a new register opened, which now numbers between 60 and 70 children, under the care of a male superintendent, 3 male and 8 female teachers.

St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn ; the Rev. THOMAS S. BRITTAN, Rector.

Baptisms (infants) 21. Funerals 11. Marriages 10. Communicants (died and removed 30, received 16) 40.

Sunday school teachers (male 12, female 18) 30. Scholars 184.

During the last month, the character of the church has been altered. It has now become a regular parish church, it being found impossible to support it as a free church.

Trinity Church, Brooklyn ; the Rev. DANIEL V. M. JOHNSON, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 2, infants 15) 17 ; Marriages 4 ; Funerals 6 ; Communicants (added 7, died 0, removed 9) present number 19 ; Confirmed 15 ; Sunday school teachers 10, pupils 85 ; books in library 140 volumes.

Collections :—

Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	-	\$8 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	5 00
"Christian Offerings" of Sunday school Classes No.				
2 and 3, for Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	4 00

In addition to these sums, about \$200 have been collected and appropriated to the church. Considering the very embarrassed situation of this church, we have great cause for thankfulness to its Divine Head, under whose blessing it has continued to prosper. The number attending Divine service, (which is performed twice, and occasionally three times on every Lord's day,) has very much increased, and the members generally are manifesting a growing interest in the cause of religion. The Bible class has been continued ; and the Sunday school, superintended altogether by the Rector, and receiving from him catechetical instruction once in each month, is in a most flourishing condition.

St. Paul's Church, Flatbush, King's county; the Rev. THOMAS S. BRITTAN, Rector.

This church, built by the munificence of M. Clarkson, Esq., was consecrated in the last week of December, 1836; and regular service commenced in it on Sunday, January 1, 1837. The services are on Lord's day, in the morning and afternoon, and on every Wednesday evening.

Baptisms (infants) 3; Marriage 1; Communicants (2 removed) 9; Sunday school teachers (male 1, female 8) 9, scholars 54.

St. John's Church, Fort Hamilton, King's county; the Rev. JAMES D. CARDER, Rector.

Baptisms (children) 8; Communicants (added 2, removed 7) 7; Burial 1.

A small Sunday school is instructed by a few young ladies of the parish. The church has been opened for Divine service once on Sundays, during the ecclesiastical year, with three or four exceptions.

The congregation worshipping in this church has always been composed, in part, of persons connected with the garrison of Fort Hamilton, and therefore been subject to very great changes. Although the parish has presented at times the appearance of much feebleness, large numbers have here enjoyed the ministrations of the Gospel who had long been deprived of their benefit.

Since the month of June last, the Rector having been in the discharge of the duties of Secretary and General Agent of the Committee for Domestic Missions, the services of the church have, at his request, been kindly performed by some of his brethren of the clergy.

He has consented to hold the office of Rector, at the earnest entreaty of his parishioners, till they are prepared to make some arrangements for the supply of their parish.

Grace Church, Rochester; the Rev. ORANGE CLARK, Rector.

Baptisms (7 adults, 36 infants) total 43; Confirmations 20; Burials 14; Marriages 15; Communicants (added 27, suspended 4, died 5) present number about 143.

The parish is increasingly prosperous, congregation more regular and more numerous and more punctual in their attendance on public service, at peace among themselves and happily united.

Amount paid in the several canonical contributions,	\$85 00
Expended in improving the church,	280 00
Bestowed in charity,	120 00
Increase of Sunday school library,	50 00

In addition to which, the vestry have procured a perpetual insurance on the life of their Rector to the amount of \$5000, on an annual expense of \$160.

Not an adult has died in the parish during the last two years, except such as have left behind a comfortable hope that they were interested in the Saviour.

The Sunday school has not diminished either in interest or in numbers, but is evidently improving.

St. Luke's Church, Rochester; the Rev. HENRY J. WHITEHOUSE, D. D., Rector.

During most of the year, the Rector has been absent in Europe on a projected visit to Palestine and the Missionary stations of the Mediterranean. His place has been very faithfully supplied by the Rev. N. Bruce, M. D., who represents the congregation "to be in a flourishing state, combining a high degree of pure and evangelical piety with general prosperity."

From him the Rector has received the following statistics:

Baptisms (infants 23, adult 1) 24; Marriages 9; Funerals 17.

Collections :—

Missionary, Foreign Department,	-	-	\$110 00
Domestic,	-	-	225 90
Diocesan,	-	-	125 00
Spirit of Missions,	-	-	50 00
Building of Churches,	-	-	1000 00
Sunday Schools,	-	-	65 00
Missionary in Genesee county,	-	-	22 00

Total, \$1597 90

St. John's Church, Johnstown, Montgomery county ; the Rev. JOSEPH RANSOM, Rector.

Marriages 5 ; Baptisms (infants) 7 ; Funerals 10 ; Communicants 38.

The church, which was destroyed by fire in November last, is now rebuilt, and will be consecrated immediately after the sitting of the Convention. The congregation has kept together remarkably well, considering the great disadvantages under which they have labored for want of a suitable place to worship in since the loss of the church ; nor is the Rector by any means without evidence of the success of his labors, notwithstanding all the discouraging circumstances he has been called to pass through. The new church has excited a good deal of interest in the village ; and the prospect which extends before us, is unquestionably a very fair one of increase and prosperity.

The Contributions are—

To the Diocesan Fund,	-	-	\$9 00
Missionary and Education,	-	-	9 00

All Saints' Church, New York ; the Rev. BENJAMIN I. HAIGHT, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 13, adult 1) 14 ; Confirmation 1 ; Marriages 4 ; Funerals 5 ; Communicants (added 22, left 2) 99 ; Catechumens 58 ; Sunday school, teachers 39, scholars 313.

Collection for Missionary Fund, - - - \$44 50

The present incumbent entered upon his duties on the 3d Sunday after Easter, March 16th ; and the above statistics, (except 5 Baptisms, and 3 Burials,) relate to the period of his ministry.

There is divine service and a lecture expository of the Scriptures, once during the week ; and in the week before the Communion, twice.

The contributions to the Missionary and Diocesan Funds, required by the Canons, have been made. The other contributions will be made in the course of the year.

Church of the Ascension, New York ; the Rev. MANTON EASTBURN, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms (infants 36, adults 7) 43 ; Marriages 16 ; Funerals 7 ; Communicants (added 26, died 2, removed 10) 289 ; Confirmed 40.

In addition to liberal contributions of this parish toward various benevolent objects, collections have been made as follows :—

For the Diocesan Fund,	-	-	\$50 00
General Disposable Fund of Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	202 65

Calvary Church, New-York ; the Rev. FRANCIS H. CUMING, Rector.

This congregation was received into union with the Convention, at its last session. The church was consecrated on the first of January last. It is situated in a remote, but improving part of the city. The expectations of its founders have thus far been more than realized.

Communicants.—At the first administration of the Holy Communion to this

congregation there were present 9; at the last 24; number registered 34; added, of persons not having been communicants in any Episcopal Church, 7; Communicants received from other Episcopal churches 18; Marriage 1; Funeral 1.

Sunday school teachers 21; Sunday scholars registered 202; largest number present at any one time 97. All the children are required to learn the Church Catechism; and it is taught, to those who cannot read, by *dictation*. They are frequently examined by the Rector.

Divine service is celebrated twice on each Lord's day.

Contributions:

Missionary Fund, (Diocesan)	-	-	-	\$2 60
Education,	-	-	-	2 50
Diocesan,	-	-	-	1 50
Episcopal,	-	-	-	1 00
Tract,	-	-	-	2 44
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Christ Church, New-York; the Rev. THOMAS LYEEL, D.D., Rector; the Rev. ISAAC PECK, Assistant Minister.

There is, in many respects, no material alteration in the condition of this parish since the last annual report. The number of communicants is about the same; the baptisms are 58; the marriages 54. I am happy to state, that the congregation has considerably increased, that increasing interest is manifested in the public services, and that our prospects for the future are highly encouraging. The contributions of the parish this year to general objects have not been so great as in former years. We trust they will in some good degree redeem this delinquency in time to come. This parish supports two beneficiaries.

Grace Church, New-York; the Rev. THOMAS HOUSE TAYLOR, D.D., Rector.

Baptisms 22; Marriages 10; Funerals 11; Communicants 150. The number of persons who occasionally commune at Grace Church is very large; but of the *stated worshippers* at the church, the number, so far as I have been able to ascertain, and register names, does not exceed 150.

Contributions:

Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	\$1026 83
City Mission Society,	-	-	959 49
Sunday School Union,	-	-	276 35
Mission to Africa,	-	-	100 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	30 00

In addition to which, the members of the congregation have contributed a large proportion of the funds necessary for the support of a daily school for poor children in the first ward of the city, and in which from 150 to 170 children are in daily attendance.

The Sunday school connected with this church, is confined exclusively to the children of the poor.

The children of the congregation are catechised by the Rector in the winter and spring of the year.

Church of the Nativity, New-York; the Rev. SOLON W. MANNEY, Deacon, Minister.

I have officiated in this church since the 7th of July last. The congregation is at present small and somewhat embarrassed by a small debt, incurred partly by fitting up a suitable room to meet in, immediately after the burning of the chapel, and partly for clerical services the past year.

It will be seen from the last report, that since the resignation of the late Rector, the Rev. William F. Walker, the number of communicants has greatly diminished. This is owing to several causes: Some have removed from the neighborhood; others, during the past year, for want of regular clerical services, have left, and gone to other parishes; and there are a few who, from the same reason, have apparently lost their interest in spiritual and eternal things, but who, I trust, may again be brought to feel the need of the sacraments and rites of the Church, to form in themselves the character of the new-created man in Christ Jesus. These causes are almost, if not entirely, sufficient to account for the great diminution above spoken of.

The parish, since last November, when it became vacated, has been supplied by the occasional services of the Rev. Messrs. Morgan and Brown, both of whom were invited to the rectorship, but declined the invitation.

The Sunday school continues in a prosperous condition. The average number of attendants is between 70 and 80; in the summer months, however, it is somewhat smaller.

Since I have been connected with the parish, I have preached twice on Sunday, explained the Gospel for the day in the morning, and the catechism in the afternoon, to the Sunday school children; have had prayers and a lecture on the Gospel on Wednesday evenings, and performed the occasional services of the parish.

Baptisms (infants) 5; Death 1; Communicants 23.

St. Andrew's Church, New-York; the Rev. ABRAM B. HART, Rector.

Baptisms (infant) 11; Marriages 4; Funerals 3; Communicants (added 2, removed 3) 28.

In obedience to the construction of Canon vii., section 1, of the General Convention of 1835, appended to the late Journal of the diocese, the Rector of this parish records, that there are not more than 20 catechumens instructed in the Sunday school, and a number of catechists assisting, between 2 and 5. Examinations are conducted "by the pastor," in the catechism and in the New Testament, each Sunday. "The service of the Church is celebrated" through the season of Lent, in addition to the customary services of Sunday.

In farther compliance with the Episcopal request, a synopsis of the pecuniary contributions is subjoined.

Ed. and Miss. Soc.—Education	\$20,	Missionary	\$22,	\$42 00
General Sunday School Union,	-	-	-	15 50
Missions in the United States,	-	-	-	40 00
Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	13 00
General Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	30 00
St. Andrew's Sunday School,	-	-	-	13 00
Bible and Prayer-book Society,	-	-	-	20 00
Tract Society,	-	-	-	5 00
Appropriated to the Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	10 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	5 00
With a surplus for future application, of	-	-	-	0 19

Dispensing with the operations of societies, a printed tabular sheet is furnished to the families of the congregation, specifying the prominent objects of pious liberality designated by the Church, and so arranged, with lines and spaces, that the names of the donors and the sums they purpose to contribute may be inserted in apposition. Two copies of this sheet are furnished to each family, or individual, that when filled, one may be retained, and the other returned to the minister or collector. It is understood that a contributor is entitled annually to alter the amount promised, should necessity compel him to diminish, or piety and prosperity urge him to increase his donations. A selection of the objects of his bounty is also allowed the contributor, while in some instances the application of a gross sum has been left to the discretion of the minister. At the recurrence of each quarter, then, upon the first Sunday in the months of January, April, July, October, being previously notified

of the time, the people are desired to enclose their oblations in a simple billet, with the name and amount inscribed, and to deposit it in the plate, in the same manner with an ordinary collection. The moneys noted in the preceding synopsis are the proceeds of two quarterly contributions, the operation of the plan having commenced with the month of July; and although the size and circumstances of our parish will not permit us to boast large performances, there has been more accomplished, without loss of invaluable time, through this systematic medium, than upon any former occasion, or in any other mode.

Respecting the directly spiritual condition of the parish we have nothing new or extraordinary to record, but trust that there is continual progress in the knowledge of God, and in the grace of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

St. Bartholomew's Church, New-York; the Rev. CHARLES VERNON KELLY, Rector.

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 42) 43; Marriages 10; Deaths 13; Communicants (by last Report 73, added since 84, withdrawn 6) total 151.

Collections:

Diocesan Missionary,	-	-	240	00
Domestic Missionary,	-	-	201	00
Young Men's Auxiliary Do.	-	-	171	00—\$612 00
Charitable purposes,	-	-	451	90
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				\$1,415 05

Sunday school—numbers on the books, (males 20, females 47) 67; in attendance, (males 13, females 30) 43.

The children of the congregation are catechised every Sunday by the Rector.

• *St. Clement's Church, New-York;* the Rev. LEWIS P. BAYARD, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms (adults 2, infants 84) 86; Confirmed 42; Communicants (deceased 6, removed 54, added 40) present number 204; Marriages 27; Burials (in the parish 20, out of it 26) 46.

Collections:

For Domestic Branch of the General Missionary Society,				
after a sermon by the Agent,	-	-	-	\$124 03
For the General Sunday School Union of the Protestant				
Episcopal Church, after a sermon by the Agent,	-	-	-	52 90
For the Parochial Sunday School, afternoons of Commu-				
nion Sundays,	-	-	-	55 10
For Parochial Sacred Music,	-	-	-	200 00
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				\$432 03

Offerings:

For Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	\$5 00
For Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	-	65 20
City Mission,	-	-	-	16 25
Sunday School Union,	-	-	-	40 00
Bible and Prayer-book Society,	-	-	-	2 00
Tract Society,	-	-	-	23 00
For Church in Patterson, Putnam county,	-	-	-	5 00
For Church at Easton,	-	-	-	2 00
German Church of St. Timothy,	-	-	-	30 00
For the Poor,	-	-	-	98 00
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				\$286 45

Making the amount of contributions this year \$718 48.

The Sunday school continues to be a faithful and efficient auxiliary to the Pastor, for the promotion of Christian knowledge and piety. Much injury is however sustained by it from the annual changes of residence, and want of male teachers. Its present number is about 250. All the Catechisms set forth by the Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, are here regularly taught. In addition to which there is a class of about 20, who recite Catechism No. 3, on the afternoon of every Sunday; and on the afternoons of Communion Sundays, an examination of them before the congregation has been made to supply the place of the sermon.

French Church du St. Esprit, New-York; the Rev. ANTOINE VERREN, Rector.

The confirmation took place in this church on the 26th of March, 1837, on which day the Bishop admitted 17.

Marriages 17; Baptisms 12; Communicants about 55.

At Easter the Rector admitted two Roman Catholics to the communion.

St. George's Church, New-York; the Rev. JAMES MILNOR, D. D., Rector; the Rev. JAMES W. COOKE, Assistant Minister.

Since the last Convention there have been added, as Communicants, 25; Died 14; Removed 40; present number 390; Marriages 27; Baptisms (adults 7, infants 39) 46.

The vestry of the church have paid to the Diocesan Fund the sum of \$30.

The Association of St. George's Church for the promotion of Christianity, have paid to the Education and Missionary Society of this diocese, \$200.

The association, in its two departments, male and female, has continued its operations during the fifth year of its existence with as large a measure of success as the deranged state of the times allowed the Rector to expect, though the amount collected has been less than was reported at the last Convention. Beside the sum of \$200 dollars appropriated as abovementioned to the Education and Missionary Society of this diocese, and sundry sums applied to religious objects not immediately connected with our own church, the Directors have paid the following amounts:

To the Foreign Missionary Committee of the Protestant Episcopal Church,	\$450 00
To the Domestic Missionary Committee of said Church,	450 00
To the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union,	100 00
To the New-York Bible and Common Prayer-book Society,	50 00
To the support of five beneficiaries preparing for the ministry of said Church,	529 58
To the support of the Sunday schools of St. George's Church,	136 10
Making the total amount of their contributions to objects proper to be introduced into this report,	\$1915 68

"As throwing light on the state of the parish," the Rector begs leave further to report, that for nine months of the past year there have been three services on the Lord's day, the third service being held after candle-light in the lecture-room, adjacent to the church; that the Holy Communion has been administered on the first Lord's day in each month; and in the afternoon of Communion Sunday the children and youth of the Sunday schools and congregation have been assembled in the church, and after evening prayers, the sermon being omitted, instead thereof an hour has been devoted to their public catechetical examination and instruction by the Rector, the smaller children in the Church Catechism broken into short questions, and the larger in a

more extended explanation ; that the Assistant Minister has also preached a quarterly sermon addressed to the young, and attended to the duties of the superintendence of the senior and junior Sunday schools held in the lecture-room, and the room beneath it; that beside said Sunday schools, there is another attached to St. George's Church, held in a location more distant from the church: in the whole of which schools the number of children taught is about 500, by 66 male and female teachers.

In addition to the public services above mentioned, there is Divine service and lecture on every Friday evening, except during the month of August. A Missionary meeting is held monthly; the church is opened for prayers on the Wednesday forenoon preceding each communion; the fasts and festivals are duly observed. During Lent there are prayers in the church on every Wednesday morning; and during Passion week, in addition thereto, a sermon every afternoon, and a lecture in the evening. The Assistant Minister also instructs a female Bible class, consisting of upwards of 100 persons.

St. Luke's Church, New-York; the Rev. JOHN MURRAY FORBES, Rector.

This parish has been much blessed during the past year. There has been an evident *spiritual* as well as *numerical* growth. The statistics are as follow:

Baptisms (adults 9, infants 101) 110; Marriages 17; Funerals 31; Confirmed 88; Communicants 260; added 50.

The benevolent *contributions* to the institutions of the Church, exclusive of communion and Sunday school collections, have been about \$2000.

St. Mark's Church, New-York; the Rev. HENRY ANTHON, D. D., Rector.

The Rector was elected to that office the 17th of December last; but owing to alterations and repairs in his church, it was not opened for public worship until the 7th of May. His services for the Sundays intervening were given in aid of several of his clerical brethren.

Interments since the date of the report of the wardens last year, chiefly of non-parishioners, 89; Marriages since May, 7; Baptisms since May, (adults 3, infants 25) 28; Catechumens 50; Sunday scholars registered 140, average attendance 60; teachers (5 male, 10 female) 15; Communicants, upon a careful inquiry, the number was ascertained to be 39; died 1, added since 6, joined since May from other Episcopal Churches, 57, making present number 101; Families, at the opening of the church in May, 31, present number 93; pew holders 98.

Collections:—

May.	For City Mission Society,	- - -	\$341 18
July.	Domestic Missions, - - -	- - -	376 20
September.	Education and Missionary, New-York,	295 81	
October.	Diocesan Fund, - - -	- - -	45 00

\$1058 19

Before the parochial year expires, the Rector believes that this parish will not be found backward in sustaining such other calls as his duty will require him to bring to the notice of his people.

In compliance with the requisitions of the Canons and the request of the Bishop, the following additional items are given.

Catechising, two seasons in the year: from the first Sunday in October, to the last in February; and from the first Sunday in April, to the last in June. The exercise takes place at the Chancel after the afternoon service. During these seasons, a sermon is preached monthly to the catechumens and Sunday scholars. Bible class weekly, from October until April. Evening lectures

weekly, from November until April. Church opened for prayers and the due ministration of baptism on Wednesdays and Fridays before each monthly communion.

St. Michael's, St. James', and St. Mary's Churches, New-York; the Rev. JAMES C. RICHMOND, Rector.

Baptisms 46 (children 36, adults 10); Marriages 6; Burials 29; Confirmed 6; Communicants (died 4, removed 16, added 10) 60; Sunday scholars on register 97.

The collections for the Education and Missionary Society have been made:

	St. Michael's,	\$15 94
	St. James',	8 06
Appropriated to repairs of St. Mary's Church,	-	150 00
Collected for Sunday schools, &c.	-	30 00
For same at Yorkville,	-	34 00

\$238 00

The former Rector of these churches has officiated three times, and his assistant four times on Sundays, for the last fifteen months. Two of these services were at the Euterpean Hall, New-York. There have been therefore five services on Sundays in and around Bloomingdale. The present Rector has officiated on Friday evenings, throughout the year, at Yorkville, and occasionally for the new German congregation of St. Timothy's Church, where he has several times administered the Lord's Supper. On Whitsun-Monday a large number of German emigrants assembled in St. Michael's Church, where the services of the Church were celebrated in their language, and the Communion administered.

The service for the insane at the Bloomingdale Asylum, has been also continued, with an increasing conviction, on the part of all who are familiar with its effects, that it tends to soothe the disturbed spirits of the unhappy inmates, and that it is a useful part of a system which proposes to allow to the insane the privileges of beings endowed with reason, in the assured hope that she will thus the sooner regain her empire.

St. Peter's Church, New-York; the Rev. HUGH SMITH, Rector.

The Rector respectfully reports, that since the last annual Convention, there have been registered in this parish, Marriages 9; Baptisms (infants 49, adult 1) total 50; Funerals 11. The whole number of Communicants is probably about 120.

During an absence of several months, rendered necessary by ill-health, his vestry kindly provided for the supply of his pulpit, by securing the zealous and efficient services of the Rev. K. W. Goddard, and on returning in renovated health, he rejoices to find his parish united, prosperous, and happy; presenting an ample and interesting field for that spiritual labor to the capability for which he has been mercifully restored. The large and beautiful church now in process of erection will soon, it is trusted, be ready for consecration; and by its enlarged accommodations for worshippers, remove the principal cause which has hitherto impeded the growth of the congregation.

St. Philip's Church, New-York; the Rev. PETER WILLIAMS, Rector.

Baptisms (2 adults, 36 infants) total 38; Marriages 24; Communicants about 200; Sunday scholars 135.

The congregation of this church have not been able to assemble for the last 4 months, in consequence of the removing of their edifice for the widening of the street on which it stands.

The Rector and congregation of this church are colored persons.

St. Stephen's Church, New-York; the Rev. JOSEPH H. PRICE, Rector.

The present Rector entered upon his duties on the first Sunday in July last. Since that time there have been baptized (adults 2, infants 15) 17; Marriages 6; Deaths 8.

The Rector has found it impossible to ascertain the exact number of Communicants, but thinks he found in the church on his entrance on the Rectorship about 150. There have been added since July 1, 5. The Rector having entered on his duties at a season of the year when many of the congregation were absent from the city, the canonical collections have not been made, but will be soon after the rising of the Convention.

Collections:—

For the Infant School, - - - -	\$117 00
For Domestic Missions, - - - -	65 00
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	\$182 00

A weekly lecture on Tuesday evenings has been commenced and is well attended. The vestry have ordered extensive repairs upon the church, which is now full; and a kind Providence has afforded to us strong indications of its blessing upon this interesting church. The Rector has only to add, that his reception by the congregation has been all that he could desire.

St. Thomas' Church, New-York; the Rev. FRANCIS L. HAWKS, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms (adults 7, infants 60) total 67; Marriages 36; Confirmed 54; Funerals 14; Communicants 305; Sunday schools, pupils 1200; teachers 80.

Collections have been made for the

Education and Missionary Society, - - \$200 00

REMARKS.

The number of my baptisms is much less than usual, because I have not yet had my usual annual baptism of the unbaptized children in the Sunday school.

I have reported my communicants upon the best knowledge I can obtain: I find it next to impossible, in the changes of so large a congregation in the city, to attain to perfect accuracy. My Communicants have increased during the past year. I would report "additions, removals and deaths," could I do so with certainty.

I have reported the canonical collections only. There have been other and liberal contributions, of the amount of which, if I say nothing, I trust it will not be imputed to disregard of the Bishop's wishes, but to the force of a principle, conscientiously and deliberately adopted.

In my Sunday school, all the children capable of learning it, are taught the catechism. I superintend the school myself, and every department of it I keep under my own supervision and control in all particulars.

Trinity Church, including St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels, New-York; the Rev. WILLIAM BERRIAN, D. D., Rector; the Rev. JOHN F. SCHROEDER, D. D., and the Rev. EDWARD Y. HIGBEE, Assistant Ministers.

Baptisms 217; Marriages 86; Burials 598; Communicants 800.

Collections for the Missionary Branch of the Education and Missionary Society in the Diocese of New York:—

Trinity, - - - -	\$261 46
St. Paul's, - - - -	91 94
St. John's, - - - -	250 00
From Missionary Association of St. Paul's, - -	67 50
From Missionary Association of St. John's, - -	57 50

Contributions by several individuals of the parish,	-	\$ 50 00
Do. collected by William Johnson, Esq.,	-	400 00
Do. collected by Mr. William R. Wadsworth,	-	42 00
Do. collected by the Rev. Dr. Anthon,	-	102 00
Do. collected by the Rev. William Berrian,	-	435 00
For Education Branch of the Education and Missionary Society of New-York :—		
From Female Association of St. Paul's Chapel,	-	14 00
Trinity Church,	-	600 00
Collection for the Domestic Branch of the General Missionary Society :—		
Trinity,	- - - -	317 00
Collections for the City Mission :—		
Trinity,	- - - -	148 16
St. Paul's,	- - - -	137 16
St. John's,	- - - -	101 18
Collections for the Young Men's Auxiliary Education and Missionary Society :		
St. Paul's,	- - - -	117 64
Collections for General Sunday School Union :		
Trinity,	- - - -	101 08
St. Paul's,	- - - -	106 55
St. John's,	- - - -	112 40

Zion Church, New-York ; the Rev. WILLIAM RICHMOND, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 36, adults 3) 39; Marriages 12; Confirmed 18; Communicants 100, (added from the congregation known as "The Episcopal Free Church of the Redemption" 70) 170. Sunday school teachers (male 11, female 23) 34; Sunday scholars 94. Bible class—on Sundays 20, on Wednesdays 90.

Collections :

For Committee of Domestic Missions of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States,	- - - -	\$85 00
Education Branch of the Education and Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church, New-York,	- - - -	18 25
Missionary Branch of the same,	- - - -	30 36
Diocesan Fund,	- - - -	18 00

The Rector of this church officiated twice on Sundays for the congregation known as "The Episcopal Free Church of the Redemption, New-York."

The services were well attended three times on Sunday; the morning service having been performed for the first part of the time by the Rev. John F. Fish; afterwards by the Rev. Edward C. Bull; and for the last three months, until the services were discontinued, by the Rev. Calvin Colton. There were attached to this congregation—

Communicants 120; Sunday teachers (male 8, female 13) 21; Sunday scholars 150. Bible Class—on Sundays 25, Wednesdays 40. Marriages 2; Baptisms (adults 4 infants 3) 7; Confirmed 12.

Collected, during the year, for church purposes, \$1500.

On receiving the invitation to Zion Church, the wishes of this congregation were consulted, and by their advice the invitation was accepted, with the understanding that the vestry of that church would provide free seats for the congregation of the Church of the Redemption. They have done so; and the two congregations appear now to be harmoniously united, and to be zealously engaged in promoting together the cause of salvation.

Grace Church, Lockport, Niagara County; the Rev. GEORGE DENISON, Rector.

The Rector, a few months since, received an unanimous invitation from the vestry of this parish to take charge of the same; in consequence of which, he resigned that of Trinity Church, Newark, Ohio, and removed into this diocese as early as circumstances would admit, though not as early as requested.

During the Bishop's visit to the western part of the state, he was received by him as a member of this diocese, according to canon.

The condition of Grace Church on his arrival was very peculiar; many circumstances, not necessary to mention, had almost discouraged its friends. They had no church; and never had had, except about five months, any resident clergyman; but were kept together by means of lay-reading and the Sunday school. Only 16 communicants were found on the register. By looking up the scattered sheep, and by additions, the number is now 45; last communion this was increased to 50, by visitors from Christ Church and from other congregations.

The church, which will cost, including the lot, \$6,500, is expected to be finished (except the basement) before Christmas; it is rapidly progressing.

During the few weeks that the Rector has resided in this parish, he has preached once in Christ Church, (which is without a pastor,) and three times in the country.

The Sunday School numbers about 50 scholars, and is flourishing; married ladies, in several instances, acting as teachers.

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 3) 4; Confirmation 1; Marriage 1; Funeral 1.

Collections for church, about	-	-	-	-	\$4000 00
Canonical collections,	-	-	-	-	12 54
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St. Stephen's Church, New-Hartford, Oneida County; the Rev. SAMUEL C. DAVIS, Deacon, Minister.

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 3) 4; Communicants (added 6, removed 5, deceased 1) present number 37.

The present Minister took charge of this parish on Whitsunday last; since which time the congregation has been generally increasing in numbers, and several additions have been made to the communicants.

Besides the regular Sunday services, a weekly service has been introduced, at the close of which an interesting Bible class is instructed. The principal festivals which have occurred have likewise been duly observed.

The plan of systematic charity, introduced by my predecessor, has been continued with considerable success; from the avails of which the following appropriations have been made:

Bible and Common Prayer-book Society,	-	-	-	\$1 50
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	7 50
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	3 09
Missionary purposes,	-	-	-	3 09

A class of candidates for confirmation is in course of preparation for the visitation of our diocesan, which is expected after the adjournment of the present Convention. The Ladies' Sewing Society still continues to render its very acceptable and efficient efforts in behalf of the prosperity of the parish and the general institutions of the Church.

St. Paul's Church, Paris Hill, Oneida County; the Rev. HENRY PECK, Rector.

The present incumbent entered on the discharge of his duties in this parish about the first of July, immediately after having relinquished the charge of the missionary station at Constantia.

In presenting this first report of the parish which constitutes my present field of labor, I must necessarily be governed by my own observations and inquiries in reference to all past transactions since its last report to the Diocesan Convention, which was entered on the journal for 1832, as no entries have been made in any parish register which I have found since that date. By frequent removals and deaths, more especially the former, the numbers and strength of this church have been greatly diminished in the course of the last few years. I am informed that they have had no Sunday school for the last four years, until very recently. We have at present both a Sunday school and Bible class, both of which appear to be in a prosperous state. The stated number of the congregation is perhaps from 100 to 125, and these are generally steady and regular in their attendance at church. During the short interval in which I have been employed in the duties of my present station, I have had the satisfaction to witness on all occasions on the part of the congregation, a ready and willing mind, accompanied with a becoming promptness, when called to act, in the discharge of all duties in which they have been called to share for the advancement of our common cause.

Baptism (infant) 1; Burials 1; Communicants (died 1) present number 35; Sunday scholars 26; teachers 6; Bible class 31.

Collections and contributions since the first of last July:

For Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$2 00
For the Education Society,	-	-	-	-	1 00
For the Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	2 00
For the Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	1 50
For Sunday School Library,	-	-	-	-	11 20
For books of instruction,	-	-	-	-	4 64
For Prayer-books to the Central Society of the State of New York,	-	-	-	-	10 00

Besides a contribution of from 6 to \$7 made last winter for the Tract Society.

Mr. Peck also reports as follows, as late Missionary at Constantia, Oswego county:—

From the date of my last report, until the first of July, my undivided attention was bestowed upon the parish at Constantia, with the exception of three Sundays, one of which was spent at the village of Little Falls, the other two were improved in St. Paul's Church, on Paris Hill. During the rest of the time, the regular services of the Church were performed every Sunday, with the exception of a necessary absence of about three weeks, for the purpose of soliciting aid for the relief of the Church, which in consequence of several unfortunate occurrences had been brought into an embarrassed situation. Through the acknowledged kindness of a number of individuals on whom I called in the city of New-York, I succeeded in part, but in part only, owing to the peculiar distress of the times and the embarrassed state of pecuniary matters. Having failed in the accomplishment of our designed purpose, I was placed under the necessity of resigning the charge of that parish, accompanied at least on my own part with feelings of sincere regret. I feel, however, a conscious satisfaction in saying, that the discontinuance of the stated services in that parish was not owing to the want of a just liberality on the part of those who were engaged in its support, nor for the want of a sincere and faithful attachment to the good cause in which they were employed.

Baptisms (infants) 3; Marriages 3; Burials 3; Communicants (removed 5) present number, 1st July, 15.

Contributions made and sent forward at the time:—

For Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$5 00
For the Tract Society,	-	-	-	-	3 00

Trinity Church, Utica; the Rev. PIERRE ALEXIS PROAL, Rector.

Under the Divine blessing, this parish continues in a prosperous state. The system of Christian offerings introduced last year, though affected by the pres-

sure in the monetary affairs of the country, meets the expectation then formed of its usefulness, and will no doubt continue to yield a fruitful return to the benevolent institutions of the Church. The children of the parish, including the Sunday school, are regularly catechised during two-thirds of the year, on the afternoon of the first Sunday of the month. A class for religious instruction is taught by the Rector on Wednesday afternoon of each week. In the month of November last, the Right Reverend the Bishop of the Diocese consecrated, under the name of Trinity Chapel, a small edifice erected on the Church lot during the previous summer, for the use of the Sunday school, for catechetical instruction, and for occasional services and lectures in the week. In this chapel there has been divine service on the morning of every holy day during the year; on the Litany days throughout the season of Lent; and on the Wednesday mornings and Friday evenings preceding the administration of the holy communion.

In addition to the Confirmation held by the Bishop in the month of May, 1836, there were two persons confirmed at the visitation in November. There is at present a class of 25 persons who have been under a course of instruction for the last six weeks, preparatory to confirmation at the approaching visit of the Bishop on the 19th instant.

In the early part of the present season, a few persons of this parish purchased a building, nearly new, and formerly occupied as a Methodist chapel, in the westerly part of the city, with a view to the introduction of the services of our Church in that neighborhood. A regular Sunday evening service has been commenced, with the happiest prospects of success. A Sunday school has been organized three Sundays past, and embraces upwards of 30 children, under the care of a superintendent and seven teachers. The visiting committee of this district of our city, assure me that their useful labors have been received with flattering tokens of interest and gratitude, and we have good hope, that with the favor of the great Head of the Church, a flourishing congregation may ere long be collected in this portion of the city, hitherto in a measure destitute of religious services.

The Sunday school continues as in the last report, and the Rector takes this opportunity of expressing his grateful sense of the services of the superintendents and teachers in sustaining this important branch of evangelical labors.

Baptisms (adults 4, infants 23) 27; Marriages 10; Funerals 24; Confirmations 2; Communicants, (died 1, removed 53,) present number 134.

The contributions have been as follows:

Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	\$5 17
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	15 00
Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	-	-	150 00
Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	100 00
Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	150 00
New-York Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	-	-	-	40 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	-	41 38
Offerings of the children in the Sunday school to					
Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	-	3 62
Offerings of the children in the Sunday school to					
Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	3 50
For the Sunday School Library,	-	-	-	-	37 00
For the Infant School,	-	-	-	-	25 00
For Church at Johnstown,	-	-	-	-	66 00
For Church at Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio,	-	-	-	-	80 00

\$716 67

Christ Church, Manlius, Onondaga county; the Rev. JESSE POUND, Rector.

Since my last report my time has been wholly devoted to this congregation; and its effect is seen in an increased attendance on the public worship

of God—an increased solemnity, and it is hoped an increased seriousness in its members. The parish may be said to be in a healthful condition; but we still continue to suffer a severe diminution, by deaths and removals. The latter cause especially, has a very disheartening influence on its future prospects. With but a limited population, and but a small part of that unattached to some religious body, it is scarcely possible to supply by additions what we lose by removals; but we have peace in our borders.

A week night lecture was maintained through the winter and spring, and a Bible class most of that time. They will be resumed again immediately. The Ladies' Sewing Society, and the Christian Benevolence Society, continue to give the parish important aid in its benevolent efforts.

Since the last Convention, there have been paid:—

To the Missionary Society of the Diocese, . . .	\$10 00
To the Domestic Missionary Society, . . .	10 00
To the Foreign Missionary Society, . . .	5 00
By a Lady, to constitute the Rector a member of the Tract Society, . . .	10 00
To the Sunday School Union, . . .	5 00
To the Tract Society, . . .	5 00
To the Bible and Prayer Book Society of Central New-York, . . .	5 00
To the Professorship of Pastoral Theology, through the Rev. Mr. Whiting, . . .	5 37
To the Diocesan Fund, . . .	4 50
And for Sunday school books, . . .	13 00

\$72 87

The Sunday school continues in efficient operation. Whole number of scholars on the list 58, average attendants 50, under 11 teachers; Books in the library about 250 volumes; Marriages 4; Baptisms (infants) 3; Funerals 6; Communicants about 90.

For seven months of the past year, I officiated on the evening of every Lord's day in Trinity Church, Fayetteville, until its charge was assumed by the Rev. Mr. Engle. I am happy to say it has become relieved from all its pecuniary difficulties, through the liberality of the Corporation of Trinity Church, New-York. The parish is united, and steadily gaining strength. During that time I married one couple, and baptized two adults; and there were three persons confirmed for the parish, in St. Paul's Church, Syracuse.

St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, Onondaga county; the Rev. CLEMENT M. BUTLER, Minister.

I entered upon the charge of this parish on the first Sunday of December last. Since that period there have been Baptisms (infants) 8; Marriages 4; Burials 7; Confirmations 6; Communicants are (8 added, 7 removed) 40; Families belonging to the congregation 75.

During the winter a Bible class was held weekly at different houses in the parish; and will soon be resumed. I have preached in the Apostolic Church, Geddes, at 5 o'clock every Sunday, from the first after Trinity to the 8th inclusive. A system of monthly contributions has been recently adopted. For the two months during which it has been in operation, the amount collected is \$17 56.

I would record my devout gratitude for the large measure of external prosperity which this parish now enjoys. My prayer is, that it may be accompanied with corresponding piety and zeal.

St. John's Church, Canandaigua, Ontario county; the Rev. AUGUSTINE P. PREVOST, Rector.

The present Rector of the parish entered upon his duties the 22d of October, 1836. During the previous year, the congregation had been without a settled minister, and were dependent upon such occasional services as could be pro-

cured; in consequence of which, and other unfavorable causes, the number of the congregation had decreased, and those who remained firm in their attachment, felt much discouraged. The prospects of the parish are now more animating. The stated attendance at the sanctuary is more numerous, and renewed interest in the prosperity of the Church is very evident. During the past summer the vestry have expended about \$1,000 on the repair and improvement of the house of God.

The number of Baptisms since October 22d, 1836, is (infants 6, adults 3) 9; Confirmed 16; Marriages 3; Burials 6. The number of Communicants when the present Rector entered upon his duties, was 45, additions since 25, in all 70. A Sunday school was commenced last spring: the names of children upon the books are in all about 80; the regular attendance is 60.

The amount contributed to Missions by the congregation is \$30. More would have been collected, but for the extra expenses which the parish incurred for the improvement of the church.

\$11 25 were appropriated to the Diocesan Fund.

Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario county; the Rev. PIERRE P. IRVING, Rector.

The Rector of this parish reports, that he entered upon his duties on the 24th Sunday after Trinity, 13th November, 1836; at which time it was suffering from a long vacancy in the Rectorship. The zeal and perseverance with which he found his efforts seconded, have contributed, through the blessing of God, to restoring this old and once flourishing parish to much of its former prosperity. In a numerical point of view, the Rector has found much to encourage him: every pew in the church is taken, and measures are in progress for enlarging the accommodations to supply those, who are now inquiring, with seats. Spiritually, also, there is cause for much thankfulness, as the accessions to the communion have shown.

The Rector observes that in the report made to the Convention in 1833—the last report made from this parish—the number of Communicants is stated at 130. In November last, but ninety-three of these could be found. This diminution is to be accounted for in a great measure by the extraordinary emigration from this neighborhood to the western States and Territories.

The plan of systematic offerings was adopted on the 1st of January last, and it is believed is universally approved of in the congregation.

The accompanying details are given with some minuteness in pursuance of the recommendation of the Right Reverend Bishop of the Diocese, expressed in the Journal of the Convention of last year.

Baptisms (adults 3, infants 22) total 25; Confirmations (communicants 7, have since become so 10) 17; Marriages 5; Funerals (8 not belonging to the congregation) 14; Communicants, (number on the 13th November, 1836, 93, added, by removal from other parishes 16, new Communicants 21) 130; loss (died 3, removed 9) 12; present number of Communicants 118.

Contributions:—

For Domestic Missions	-	-	-	\$155 00
Diocesan, “	-	-	-	113 00
Foreign “	-	-	-	30 00
Education Society,	-	-	-	10 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	10 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	-	-	10 00
Protestant Episcopal S. School Union,	-	-	-	10 00
Sunday School of the parish,	-	-	-	30 00
General Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	10 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	5 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	15 00
Parish Library,	-	-	-	118 50
Children's Missionary Collection,	-	-	-	12 37
Various other purposes,	-	-	-	146 37

\$675 24

Amount brought forward,	\$675 24
To which might be added the amount raised in the parish for rebuilding the rectory,	2,500 00

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Subscriptions (private) for other objects,	319 00
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Whole amount raised in the parish,	\$3494 24
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Sunday School.—Average attendance of pupils, 100; teachers (of whom 8 are communicants) 19. *Sunday School Library*.—Numbers 35) volumes.

Parish Library.—For the congregation, recently founded, has 200 volumes. *Bible class*.—Number of members during the winter of 1836-7, 55. *Ser-*

vices.—An evening service once in the course of each week from October to May. A service on Good Friday, and prayers as usual on Ash-Wednesday, during Lent and on Ascension Day. *Catechising*.—The children of the congregation to the number of 70, (boys 30, girls 40) are examined by the Rector in the Catechism openly in the church every Sunday afternoon after Divine service; the boys and girls on alternate Sundays.

St. James' Church, Goshen, Orange county; the Rev. THOMAS MALLABY, Deacon, Minister. From the 15th Sunday after Trinity, September 3, 1837.

Baptism 0; Confirmed 1; Marriage 0; Funerals 0; Communicants (added 0, removed 0) 34; Adult members of the congregation, say 103; Sunday school scholars 40, teachers 12, number of volumes as per register, belonging to Parish library 107; Sunday School library 93, 230.

Collections :—

Theological Seminary,	\$5 00
Episcopal Fund,	3 55
Diocesan Fund,	7 50

\$16 05

I have been in the charge of this parish but four weeks; which circumstance accounts for the few ministerial acts exhibited, in the above report. The Sunday school, which had been discontinued for some time, has been re-organized under prospects of a very encouraging nature. The Ladies' Sewing Society, distinguished for the unobtrusive and serviceable manner in which it has aided the parish, is still sustained with equal zeal and efficiency; and, as far as my observation has extended, the congregation at large manifest a disposition to be profited by the ministrations of their pastor.

The Rev. James P. F. Clarke resigned the charge of this parish on the 12th of June last. His report, to that date, is as follows: Baptisms (of adults 3, of children 14) 17; Communicants (added 9, died 1, removed 4) 34; Marriages 4; Funerals 6; Adult members of the congregation 103. The Parish library contains 117 volumes, and the Sunday School library 93.

Contribution to the Missionary Fund,	\$11 78
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St. George's Church, Newburgh, and St. Thomas' Church, New Windsor, Orange county; the Rev. JOHN BROWN, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 2, children 22) 24; Marriages 5; Deaths 27; Communicants (added 15, died 2, removed 5) present number 105; Confirmed (of the parish of Newburgh 21, of the parish of Marlborough 2) 25; one, of the parish of Newburgh, confirmed at Walden.

Collections :—

Diocesan,	\$9 00
Missionary Diocesan,	19 00
General Sunday School Union,	20 00
General Missionary Domestic Department,	30 67

\$78 67

Sunday Scholars 205, average attendance 131, teachers 12 males and 15 females, who are very constant in attendance, and conscientiously devoted to the interests of the school. Within a little more than a year, 4 teachers have been baptized, and 7 have been confirmed, and 3 within the past year have been admitted to the Holy Communion. The behaviour of the pupils is unexceptionable and their improvement very gratifying.

Within the last year the vestry of St. George's Church, Newburgh, have completed the enlargement of their church edifice, and erected a steeple; and otherwise greatly improved their church, at an expense of about \$6000. In addition to which, the Female Contribution Society of this church have expended the further sum of \$1000, in the purchase of a fine-toned bell for the steeple, and lamps, carpets, and other furniture for the church.

For the little congregation of St. Thomas' Church, New Windsor, a suitable building, belonging to Mr. Thomas Ellison, has been neatly and tastefully fitted up by himself and two or three other gentlemen, as a temporary chapel. This arrangement has been very gratefully received and acknowledged by the congregation.

St. Andrew's Church, Walden, Orange county; the Rev. ROBERT SHAW, Minister.

Baptisms (adults 4, infants 11) 15; Confirmations 12; Communicants (removed 1, died 1, added 9, 7 of these had never communed before) present number 47; Marriage 1; Funerals 7.

The only change of any importance which has taken place in this parish since last reported, is, that I have preached every third Sunday since May to attentive and daily increasing congregations, in a parish recently organized in Marlborough, Ulster county.

Christ Church, Oswego, Oswego county; the Rev. JOHN M'CARTY, Rector.

Baptisms (infants and children) 31; Marriages 5; Funerals 38; Communicants (died 3, removed 6, added 23) present number 116; Sunday school scholars about 60, teachers 7.

The adult Bible class has been continued every Sunday afternoon or evening for a greater part of the year, and a Wednesday evening lecture held during the season of Lent. I have also, for some time past, delivered an address to the Sunday school scholars on the first Sunday of every month. We have a parish library, and one belonging to the Sunday school.

We have paid out of our monthly offerings:

To the Diocesan Missionary department,	\$40 00
Education,	10 00
Missionary Fund,	12 00

The whole amount of the offerings of the Church for religious purposes for the year is \$215 63.

Zion Church, Louisville, Otsego county; the Rev. ORSAMUS H. SMITH, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 3, infants 10) 13; Funerals 6; Marriages 7; Communicants (added 8, died and removed 7) between 140 and 150; Sunday scholars 114, under 28 teachers.

There is a parish library belonging to Zion Church consisting of 182 vols.

Collections:

Missionary,	\$3 88
Education,	3 88
Diocesan,	6 75
Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of the central part of the State of New-York,	10 00
Foreign department of the general Missionary Society,	9 00
Domestic,	12 86

By the Female Industrious Society, for various purposes, viz :

For Parish Library, - - - - -	5 00
Sunday School, - - - - -	4 00
Diocesan Missions, - - - - -	2 00
Chairs for the Church, - - - - -	5 00

St. Luke's Church, Monticello, Otsego county; the Rev. ROBERT CAMPBELL, Rector.

Baptisms 3; Funerals 5; Marriage 1.

I entered on the duties of the parish on the 27th November, 1836, being the first Sunday in Advent; and besides preaching every Sunday in the parish church twice, extra services were performed in Exeter, Richfield Springs, and other places adjacent.

St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, Otsego county; the Rev. NORMAN H. ADAMS, Rector.

Baptisms (infants) 2; Funerals 2; Marriages 4; Communicants (added 5) about 100; Sunday school scholars about 50, teachers 12.

Collections:

Tract Society, after a sermon, - - - - -	\$8 50
Missionary Society, after a sermon delivered before the Female Missionary Society, - - - - -	5 50
Female Missionary Society, - - - - -	15 50
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	\$29 50

The other collections were not made, owing to a mistake in the notice not being given in time, in the absence of the Rector in exchange. They shall be punctually made hereafter.

St. Philip's Church, Phillipstown, Putnam county; the Rev. HENRY L. STORRS, Rector.

Baptisms (adult 1, infant 1) 2; Confirmed 4; Marriages 3; Funerals 3; Communicants (added 4) 15; Sunday school scholars 37, teachers 9.

Collections :

Education and Missionary Society, - - - - -	\$6 62
Episcopal Fund, - - - - -	1 96
Diocesan Fund, - - - - -	2 03
Various purposes, - - - - -	20 28

I have also officiated every Sunday afternoon at Cold Spring, where it was confidently expected a church would have been organized during the past summer, but unavoidable circumstances have prevented.

St. George's Church, Flushing, Queen's county; the Rev. ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, Rector.

Marriages 10; Baptisms (adults 9, infants 13) 22; Confirmed (1 at Little Neck) 31; Funerals 22; Communicants (removed 6, died 3, added 15) 108.

Contributions:

To Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese, from a Female Auxiliary, - - - - -	\$202 15
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, - - - - -	48 58
Diocesan Fund, - - - - -	15 00
Sunday school purposes, - - - - -	34 00
Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions, - - - - -	105 10

There are three Sunday schools connected with the Church, containing 180 children, under 30 teachers. The Rector examines and addresses one or more of the schools every Sunday, and gives instruction in the Catechism on the first Sunday in every month.

Great advantage has been found to result from having the candidates for con.

firmation assembled at the house of the Rector, in an informal manner, for familiar instruction, in several successive lectures on the order for confirmation and the Church Catechism.

A weekly lecture has been held in the church on Thursday evenings; and on Tuesday evenings, according to previous custom, at a private house in a distant part of the parish. The latter service has, however, been discontinued. Divine service is held, and a sermon preached, on the Friday afternoon preceding the administration of the Lord's Supper, on the first Sunday in every month. In that case the Thursday evening lecture is omitted. The church was also open for Divine service and a lecture, every morning during Passion Week, with a gratifying attendance and beneficial results.

The Sunday school and lecture room, in different stories of the same building, have been completed at an expense of \$1,180, with every advantage for comfort and convenience.

There has been a gratifying increase of the congregation. All the pews are rented, and applications for a number more render an enlargement of the church necessary, which the Vestry purpose doing immediately.

In the increase of the congregation, its unity and harmony, the kindness of the people, the growing seriousness and devout attendance upon the services of the Church, and the manifest improvement of the means of grace, the Rector sees abundant reason to "thank God and take courage."

St. Paul's Church, Glen Cove, Queen's county; the Rev. JAMES P. F. CLARKE, Rector.

This parish was committed to the charge of the present Rector on the 20th of July last; since which time 1 infant has been baptized. There are 2 resident Communicants; Sunday scholars 41, teachers 5. The congregation is small, but steadily improving in stability and vigor.

St. George's Church, Hallett's Cove, Queen's county; the Rev. GEORGE A. SHELTON, late Rector.

I have resigned the charge of this parish during the past week. In making my last report, I am happy to be able to say that the parish is in a prosperous condition. When, at the request of Bishop Onderdonk, I took charge of that parish, and rendered them such services as my connexion with the parish at Newtown would allow, the congregation was scattered, and the Vestry were embarrassed with debt, and almost discouraged. Now, by the aid of the Vestry of Trinity Church, the debt has been paid, and the Vestry have commenced a Sunday school and lecture room which will cost them not less than \$1000; and funds have been raised among the congregation to defray the expense.

The parish has lately received an accession of some valuable members from several of the churches of the city of New-York; through their judicious and efficient aid during the past year, and the valuable services of the Rev. John W. Brown, the temporal and spiritual interests of the parish have been greatly benefited.

I have performed Divine service regularly in the church once every Sunday, and preached a lecture once a week during the year. A parochial missionary meeting has been begun, and the system of monthly offerings has been adopted.

Sunday school 140 scholars, teachers 19; 20 children have been catechised three times; Communicants (added 3, received 4, left 2) total 30; Marriage 1; Burials 3.

Collections :

Sunday school,	-	-	-	-	\$19 00
Missionary and Education,	-	-	-	-	11 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	4 00
Foreign Missionary Society,	-	-	-	-	19 50

Total, \$53 50

St. George's Church, Hempstead, Queen's county; the Rev. WILLIAM M. CARMICHAEL, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 19, children 4) 23; Marriages 9; Confirmed 44; Communicants (added 12) whole number about 140; Burials (adults 15, children 7) 22. Besides these, there were 32 white adults, 3 colored, and 8 children, in all 43 unfortunate emigrants and seamen, interred by me, being part of the crew of the ill-fated Mexico, which was wrecked on Hempstead beach on the night of January 2d, 1837.

Sunday school scholars 50, teachers 12.

Collections:

Monthly Offerings for Domestic and Foreign Missions,	\$78 62
Monthly Tract operations,	30 00
Mission to Cape Palmas,	40 00
Donation from the children of the Sunday school, for the Mission school at Cape Palmas,	2 25
Private donation for the poor of the parish,	50 00
Sunday School Union,	22 00
Diocesan Fund,	5 87
Female Sewing Society of St. George's Church, towards the erection of a Sunday school room,	150 00
Trinity Chapel, Rockaway, has also been completed and paid for, during the past year, by subscription and otherwise, at an expense, exclusive of the ground on which it stands, of about	2,300 00

At the earnest solicitation of many, since the completion of this edifice, the Rector has been induced to discontinue the services which were rendered at the county court-house on the fourth Sunday afternoon of every month, and to confine them entirely to the chapel every other Sunday afternoon. Already the beneficial tendency of this arrangement begins to appear, in the increasing size and seriousness of the congregation. Both here and at Hempstead, the Rector has many cheering evidences of usefulness and success in his ministry, for which he desires to "thank God and take courage."

Grace Church, Jamaica, Queen's county; the Rev. WILLIAM L. JOHNSON, Rector.

Families, about 50; Baptisms 8; Confirmed 21; Marriages 4; Burials (not of the congregation 6) 15; Communicants (added 14, died 2, removed 2) 87.

Collections:—

Domestic Committee of Board of Missions, after sermon by the Agent,	\$50 25
Episcopal Fund,	5 00
Diocesan Fund,	5 00

And in addition there has been contributed by the Female Missionary Society of Grace Church:—

For Domestic Branch of Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society,	\$150 00
Proceeds of Fair, for the same,	120 00
For Persian Mission,	50 00
Greek do.	30 00

Christ Church, Manhasset, Queen's county; the Rev. JAMES P. F. CLARKE, Rector.

The present Rector resumed the charge of this parish in June last; since that time, there have been added to the list of Communicants 9; present number 55; Baptisms (1 infant, 1 adult) 2; 1 Funeral.

Contributions :—

To the Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	\$8 81
Education Fund,	-	-	-	4 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	3 50
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St. James' Church, Newtown, Queen's county; the Rev. GEORGE A. SHELTON, Rector.

During the past year the parish has been revived and increased. The attendance upon public worship has been better than at any other time, since the present Rector has had the charge of the parish, and it is humbly believed that many have not attended in vain: some have already been admitted to the Holy Communion, and others are preparing to discharge the same duty.

Divine service is performed regularly morning and afternoon in the church; also, on Ash-Wednesday and Good Friday; and when circumstances will permit, on some week days during Lent. On other occasions, the church has been opened 12 times.

The system of monthly offerings is still successfully used.

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 2) total 3; Marriages 2; Burials 4; Communicants (died 1, removed 3, added 5) total 47; Children catechised 16, twice; Sunday scholars 50, teachers 8; Bible class 1, members 12, and several others attend.

Collections :—

Missionary and Education Society, at monthly offerings,	\$14 25
Education Society,	14 00
Diocesan Fund,	3 00
And for 1836,	2 68

Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county; the Rev. PHINEAS L. WHIPPLE, Rector.

Baptisms (adult 1, children 18) 19; Communicants (added 3, removed 1) 54; Marriages 3; Funerals 7, Sunday School teachers 9, scholars 35. 30 copies of Children's Magazine are taken by the scholars.

The Rector superintends the Sunday school, and usually devotes a portion of the time allotted for the exercises of the school to instruction in the Catechism.

Contributions :—

For Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	\$30 00
Education Society,	-	-	-	5 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	9 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	5 00
P. E. Tract Society,	-	-	-	3 00
Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	17 00
Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	5 00
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				\$74 00

This parish is small in numbers, there being only 120 to 150 hearers, but in liberality is not behind its neighbors, according to its ability.

Christ Church, Troy; the Rev. WILLIAM F. WALKER, Rector.

This is a new congregation, was organized in November last. Without a church edifice, it has met in a building provided by the Vestry for this purpose. The services performed for it have been, on each Sunday, *two*, regularly: first five months, *three*; a weekly service on the evening of Wednesday, having the form of a Bible class; and a portion of the time, a service on Friday evening, explanatory of the Liturgy. By the blessing of God, we are enabled to report as the result of all, the collection of a congregation numbering about 400, as many as can be accommodated in the building occupied for worship; and a Sunday school of 100 scholars. The Vestry see in this a necessity for

more ample accommodations, an edifice for the purpose, and therefore propose, God willing, the erection of a church the ensuing season.

The Sunday school has 20 teachers to assist the Rector, as superintendent, in conducting it. It has a library of 150 volumes.

Baptisms (adults 26, infants 13) 39; Confirmed 34; Communicants (received from other Episcopal Churches 30, added 39, removed 3) present actual number 66; Married 0; Burials 9.

Collections:—

For the Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	\$20 00
Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	-	20 00
Education and Missionary Society,	-	25 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	10 00
Sunday School Union,	-	10 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	1 00

St. John's Church, Troy; the Rev. RICHARD COX, Rector.

Communicants 66; Baptisms (infants 13, adults 6) 19; Marriages 4; Funerals 12.

Collections for Missionary purposes, . . . \$91 50

Sunday school—60 attending scholars, 84 registered, 13 teachers.

Owing to the long and severe indisposition of the Rev. Gordon Winslow, the late Rector of said church, the congregation has suffered loss both in the regular attendance of hearers, and the number of Communicants. We cannot, however, refrain from expressing our deep-felt gratitude to the venerable Rev. David Butler, D. D., for the prompt and valuable services which he has rendered the congregation. As also, for the deep and abiding solicitude which he has uniformly manifested both for its temporal and spiritual interests.

St. Paul's Church, Troy—vacant.

The Wardens of St. Paul's Church beg leave, in obedience to the 7th Canon, to report, that since the resignation of their late Rector, which took place in November last, the church has been supplied with service by the Rev. Dr. Potter, of Union College. Parochial duty has been performed by the Rev. Dr. Butler, and the Rev. Mr. Tappan; to the former of whom especially the congregation are much indebted for the undiminished interest which, notwithstanding his age and infirmities, he continues to manifest in their welfare. The Wardens take pleasure in stating, that there are two Sunday schools, under the immediate supervision of the Vestry, in one of which, designed for infant children, and collected and sustained by the untiring efforts of a pious female of the congregation, aided by two of her daughters, a large number of poor children are regularly and carefully instructed. Two contributions have been made in aid of missions and the education of young men, amounting to about \$446 50; in addition to which, considerable sums have been applied by individuals in the congregation to other benevolent objects connected with the church.

Baptisms (adults 2) 68; Marriages 17; Funerals 29.

Contributions,	-	\$446 50
Do. for Diocesan Fund,	-	15 00

St. Andrew's Church, Richmond, Richmond County; the Rev. DAVID MOORE, Rector.

Baptisms 36, Funerals 12, Marriages 8, Families 250, Communicants 250, Sunday scholars in two schools 140.

A very unusual seriousness pervades this parish. A goodly number during the last few weeks have been, we trust, savingly converted to God; very many also are now inquiring the way to Zion with their faces thitherward, and the

moral state of things amongst us is such as to induce the hope of a glorious in-gathering of souls into the Church, of such as shall be saved.

The Collections for the Episcopal and Missionary Funds have been made, and duly paid to the treasurer.

Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	\$10 25
Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	-	20 67

St. Paul's Church, Tompkinsville, Richmond County; the Rev. WILLIAM H. WALTER, Rector.

Families 64; Baptisms (adults 2, children 48) total 50; Confirmed 30; Married 2; Burials 3; Communicants (removed 8, added 17, 5 by removal into the place) present number 50. Sunday school teachers 19, scholars 120, with an attendance of 80.

Collections :

Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	\$4 00
Episcopal do.	-	-	-	-	4 50
Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	-	-	20 00

The last-named sum is in redemption of a pledge to that amount given by the Vestry in answer to the circular of the Board of the Society. The sum of \$80 66 have been contributed by the congregation to the general institutions of the Church, principally to Domestic Missions. Of this amount, \$10 87 were given to the General Theological Seminary, and \$12 63 were received in penny collections from the Sunday school. The sum of \$700, realized from a sale of articles prepared by the Ladies' Society, has been expended in the painting, furnishing, &c. of the Church.

Though the outward prosperity of this parish has suffered some check from the embarrassments of the year, (of which our portion has not been inconsiderable,) still there has been a gradual progress both in numbers and stability. In the more necessary points of religious feeling and action, its growth, it is most thankfully acknowledged, has been marked, perhaps beyond any former period. The serious impressions originated in the congregation during the season of Lent, and renewed and fixed by the Divine blessing chiefly on private parochial effort in the course of preparation for confirmation in midsummer, have since been silently yet unintermittedly yielding their fruits in accessions to the service of the Redeemer, and the communion of his Church. And though a recent separation of nearly two months from his charge, occasioned by illness, has hitherto debarred the Rector from fully availing himself of this favorable state of things, yet the work of the Spirit appears to be steadily progressive, and promises a large reward to future faithful co-operation on the part of the pastor. The Sunday school has furnished its tribute to the existing religious sentiment, and adds another to the numerous illustrations and instances of the established truth that this excellent institution, in case of the pious and persevering exertions of the aids of the pastor in the work of instruction, will inevitably become a nursery of moral and religious good to the Church. All the principal holy days of the Church have been duly commemorated. A weekly lecture and the monthly catechetical examination of the children of the parish in the presence of the congregation, were continued while the health of the Rector admitted. *Fourteen* copies of the Family Visitor, *fifty* of the Children's Magazine, and *thirty* of the Spirit of Missions, taken in the Sunday school and in the congregation generally, together with the use of the valuable Sunday school and parish Libraries, have most effectually aided in diffusing information and in exciting religious inquiry, zeal, and benevolence on the part of many individuals.

The Rector would gratefully own his obligations to the Rev. Kingston Goddard, of New York city, for the kind offices of this brother in keeping his pulpit supplied during his protracted absence.

St. Paul's Church, Charlton, Saratoga county ; the Rev. EDWARD DAVIS, Rector.

Baptisms (infants) 5; Marriages 4; Funerals 2; Communicants 45. Sunday school scholars 24, teachers 4.

Collection for Education and Missionary Society, \$5.

St. James' Church, Milton, Saratoga county ; the Rev. CHARLES McCABE, Rector.

Through the blessing of God, I have been able to perform more service to the Church this year, than the former. I have preached but little at the church in Milton, (it was thought inexpedient.) The members are few; and these few could attend the church at Ballston, or Saratoga, without much inconvenience.

I have visited and preached several times in the towns of Greenfield, Galway, Providence, and Corinth; and have found some in each of those places, who have been brought up to the Church, and have not entirely forgotten the old path.

It has been generally among the poor, that I have preached of late; and there has been such a constant complaint of hard times, that I have been obliged to say nothing about any contributions for myself or the Church. I hope things will be better in a future day.

Baptisms 6; Marriages 5; Funerals 8.

Christ Church, Duaneburgh, Schenectady county ; the Rev. WILLIAM B. THOMAS, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 4, adults 2) 6; Marriages 2; Funeral 1; Communicants (removed 1, added 5) 30.

Collection, for the Missionary Fund, - - \$20 00

Owing to the peculiar circumstances of the congregation, no other collection has been made.

St. George's Church, Schenectady ; the Rev. ALBERT SMEDES, Rector.

The Rector is happy to report that his parish is in a prosperous condition. The church has been regularly filled during the past year, and the pressing demand for seats has induced the vestry to enlarge it by the addition of 36 pews. This alteration is now in progress, and the congregation worship in the courthouse. The health of the Rector has not permitted him to officiate in his public duties for the last five months. During this period, however, his lack of service has been regularly supplied through the kindness of his brethren, and especially of professors Reed and Potter, of Union College. These gentlemen, who by their labors, purely of love, have already laid us under very great obligations, have tendered their services to supply during the fall and winter, the absence of the Rector on a tour to the south for health. This generous offer he has determined to accept, the congregation having cordially assented to the measure. Leaving them in such hands, he knows that it will be eminently their own fault, if they do not grow in grace and in the knowledge of their Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. For those who have thus generously stepped in to his relief, the prayer of the Rector shall ever be, that they may long continue to fill their present high sphere of usefulness, and from their full possession of health and every faculty, to enjoy the rich experience they now have of the truth that "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

The statistics of the parish are as follows:

Baptisms (infants 30, adults 8) total 38; Confirmed 12; Married 9; Communicants (removed 10, withdrawn 2, dead 1, added 38) 109; Buried 13.

The benevolent operations of the parish, the Rector is aware, are far within

their means. They have suffered in some degree, from his inability of late to urge them, as he would wish to.

The monthly Communion collections have amounted to the sum of \$62 17
 The monthly Sunday school collection, to 62 07
 The general monthly collection, to 74 15
 The Ladies' Society of the parish have raised \$600 during the past year for building a Sunday school.

The Rector has paid since his last report :

To the Diocesan Education and Missionary Society—	
Missionary Branch,	\$58 38
Education Branch,	17 50
Tract Society,	10 00
General Sunday School Union,	10 00
A Church in Ohio,	5 00
Diocesan Fund,	12 00

The remainder of the money collected monthly has been expended for the poor of the parish and for our own Sunday school. Bibles and Prayer books we obtain from the Albany Society.

Except during Lent, the church is opened only on the Lord's day, on the great festivals of the Church, and on the Friday preceding communion in each month. The catechising of the children is at present necessarily confined to the Sunday school instruction they receive.

The number of teachers is 21, of pupils 150.

St. Thomas' Church, Bath, and St. James' Church, Hammondsport, Steuben county ; the Rev. WILLIAM W. BOSTWICK, Rector.

St. Thomas' Church. Baptisms (adults 2, children 15) 17 ; Communicants (added 5, removed 2) 30 ; Burials 3.

St. James' Church. Baptisms (adult 1, children 6) 7 ; Confirmed 9 ; Communicants (added 5, withdrawn 1) 27 ; Burials 2 ; Marriages 2.

Collections at Bath and Hammondsport :

Diocesan Fund,	\$3 00
Missionary and Education,	6 00
Episcopal Fund,	2 00

\$11 00

About \$6 were collected by the Agent appointed for collecting funds for an additional professorship in the Theological Seminary.

A parish association has been recently formed at Bath for collecting funds on the "Church Offering plan," which promises well. The funds collected thus far have been appropriated principally to the Sunday school, which though small, is in a flourishing condition.

In addition to the regular services in Bath and Hammondsport, a considerable amount of other duty has been performed. One Sunday has been spent in Dansville, one in Penn Yan, one in Elmira ; service was performed on a week day on a visit to Angelica ; besides, occasional week services have been performed in the vicinity of Bath.

The parishes at Angelica and Dansville have for some time been destitute of regular ministrations, and need very much the services of a faithful pastor. At Fosset's settlement, a few miles from Bath, where reside several Irish families, members of the Church of England, a visit was paid in the latter part of the winter, and 11 children baptized ; at a subsequent visit, the Holy Communion was administered to 15 persons—some of these are aged and infirm, and others not in circumstances to enable them to attend church at Bath.

One of the adult baptisms at Bath, was that of a wretched man in the county prison, under the sentence of death, for the crime of murder. He was

frequently visited in prison, warned, exhorted and instructed in religious truths, and on a profession of his sincere repentance and faith, baptized a few days previous to his execution. The solemn ritual of our Church for "the visitation of prisoners," was performed several times in his room; and on the day of his execution, his soul was commended to the mercy of his Redeemer. The crime and awful fate of this wretched man, may be traced to an utter destitution of moral and religious culture when young. Reared in ignorance of God and of his duties and responsibilities, unable even to read a letter, accustomed habitually to disregard the Lord's day and religious ordinances, and following the bent of the wicked passions of his nature, his miserable life was terminated on the gallows—a warning to parents to train up their children in the fear of God, "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."

St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county; the Rev. WILLIAM BARLOW, Rector.

Baptisms (infants) 36; Marriages 5; Deaths 5; Communicants (added 8, died 1, removed 1) present number 70. Number of families, about 70.

Contribution for the Missionary Fund, - - - \$25 00

This church continues to be prosperous. But the church edifice is too small for the population. The further growth of the congregation is precluded by this circumstance.

St. John's Church, Monticello, Sullivan county; the Rev. EDWARD K. FOWLER, Rector.

My services for the last year have been given to Monticello, with the exception of an afternoon service at Thompsonville, on twenty Sundays. Although the Church has suffered materially within a few years, from either the removal or death of more than half of its members, yet the heart of the Rector is cheered by the regular attendance on his ministrations of those that remain, and by the Christian-like manner in which he is treated by the whole community.

Baptisms (infants) 6; Marriages 10; Communicants about 40.

Collections:—

For the Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	\$5 00
For the Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	3 00
For the Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	2 00

Christ Church, Marlborough, Ulster county; the Rev. ROBERT SHAW, Minister.

Having been informed that there were several families, in Marlborough and its vicinity, desirous of the services of the Church, and having been requested to visit and assist them in the furtherance of this object, I did so early in the winter. I officiated there three times, and upon inquiry found that there were from ten to fifteen families ready to unite in establishing a parish. Accordingly, on the 27th of February, I organized a church by the name of Christ Church. Since May, I have preached every third Sunday, to attentive and daily increasing congregations. As near as can be ascertained, the number of families belonging to the parish now, is from twenty-five to thirty.

Baptisms (adults 3, infants 2) 5; Confirmations (2 in St. George's Church, Newburgh, and 1 in St. Andrew's Church, Walden) 3; Marriage 1.

Trinity Church, Ulster, Ulster county; and St. Paul's Church, Red Hook, Dutchess county; the Rev. RAVAUD KEARNY, Rector.

TRINITY CHURCH, ULSTER.

Baptisms 7; persons Confirmed 10; Communicants (1 removed, 10 added) 24; Burials 4; Sunday school children 150, teachers 8; Sunday school library 300 volumes, Parish library 150 volumes.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, RED HOOK.

Baptism 1; Communicants about 20. The Sunday school is flourishing, and the prospects of the Church becoming more encouraging.

In the two churches, \$20 has been collected towards the Diocesan Missionary Fund. The present Rector commenced his labors in these parishes in May last.

Zion Church, Palmyra, Wayne county; the Rev. JOSEPH D. GILBERT, Rector.

After my last report, I continued to officiate in the county of Chemung; two thirds of the time with St. Paul's Church, Big Flats, in which I baptized 1 adult; and the other third with St. John's Church, Johnson's Settlement. On the first of January, I accepted an invitation of Zion Church, Palmyra, Wayne county, where, except those Sundays given to the two churches above named in Chemung county, I have since continued. This place was a Missionary station, up to the first of April last; since that period, it has been discontinued from the list. There, I have baptized 2 adults, attended 1 marriage, and 4 funerals. In August, 5 persons were here confirmed by the Bishop. Communicants since the last report:—three have removed, and one has died; present number 30. Sunday scholars 33, and 7 teachers.

Collections:—

For the Education Society,	-	-	\$1 00
Missionary Board of this Diocese,	-	-	2 00
Domestic and Foreign Missions,	-	-	2 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	1 00
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			\$6 00

St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, Westchester county; the Rev. SAMUEL NICHOLS, Rector.

Communicants (added 13) 57; Baptisms 7; Marriages 4; Funerals 2.

Collections:—

Missionary and Education,	-	-	\$3 75
Diocesan,	-	-	3 25
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			\$7 00

It is with sentiments of devout gratitude that the Rector records the increased zeal manifested in his congregation in favor of the interests of religion and the Church during the last year. The congregation has improved more, both in numbers and devotion, than in any former year, since his connection with it. The Sunday school has been well sustained by the active and pious efforts of its teachers; and to its library have been added 50 volumes.

St. Paul's Church, Eastchester, Westchester county; the Rev. ROBERT BOLTON, Deacon, Minister.

Having very recently entered upon the duties of this parish, I am unable to furnish a full report of its condition and operations. The two services on Sundays are well attended. A Sunday school has been in operation for several weeks, and meets with encouragement; 54 children attend, with 11 teachers.

Communicants, last report 30 (added 10) 40; Burials (11 of the parish, 21 from the city of New-York, and 2 from other places in the vicinity) 34; Baptisms 4; Marriage 1.

From the interest very generally expressed in the public services, it is hoped much good will result.

Zion Church, Greenburgh, and Christ Church, Tarrytown, Westchester county; the Rev. WILLIAM CREIGHTON, D. D., Rector.

Zion Church. Baptisms (infants) 2; Confirmed 3; Communicants 36; Sunday scholars 40.

Collections :

For Diocesan Missionary Fund,	\$28 00
Education Fund,	22 00

The attendance at this church during the past summer, has so much increased, that the Vestry have it in contemplation to enlarge their place of worship for the better accommodation of the congregation.

Christ Church. Baptism (adult) 1; Confirmed 3; Sunday scholars 80. The number of communicants not precisely ascertained.

For the want of suitable accommodations the Lord's Supper has been only once administered, when 17 persons partook; several of whom, however, are also attached to Zion Church, Greenburgh, and are included in the number of communicants assigned to it. The congregation of this church, although organized but little more than a year since, have already, through the Divine blessing upon their efforts, been enabled to erect for themselves a neat and substantial edifice of brick, which was consecrated to the worship of Almighty God by the Bishop on Sunday last.

It is hoped that the heavy expense to which the members of this parish have been subjected, will be deemed a satisfactory apology for their not having made the usual canonical collections.

St. Thomas' Church, Mamaroneck, Westchester county; the Rev. WILLIAM A. CURTIS, Rector.

The charge of this parish was assumed by me in July last. Previous to that time, the Church had never enjoyed Divine services more than half the time. The outward condition of the parish is prosperous; with some foreign aid, during the past year, they have discharged a debt of \$1800, and enlarged and improved their church grounds. Since my engagement, an elegant marble baptismal font, and a full set of silver plate for the altar, have been provided, to supply the plated furniture which was stolen. Sixty volumes have been added to our Sunday school library, and the Sunday school is in a flourishing state, for which it is much indebted to the assiduous care and labor of its superintendent. The number of our communicants is larger in the summer season than in the winter, owing to the removal of families to the city. We enumerate only the constant residents :

Baptisms (adults 6, infant 1) 7; Communicants 27; Deaths 3; Sunday scholars 83; catechumens under the particular instruction of the Rector 16.

Collections :

For Diocesan Fund,	\$5 78
Episcopal Fund,	5 00
Missionary and Education,	26 00

\$36 78

Trinity Church, New-Rochelle, Westchester county; the Rev. LAWSON CARTER, Rector.

Baptisms (adult 1) 5; Communicants (added 6, died 3, removed 2) 35; Marriages 4; Funerals 7; Sunday scholars 45, teachers (female) 6.

In addition to the regular morning and afternoon services on Sundays, the church is opened at Christmas, Ash-Wednesday, Good-Friday, Thanksgiving-day, and occasionally at other times. Children frequently examined in the Catechism.

The plan of systematic charity by monthly offerings has been continued, and the following appropriations made :

To Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese—

Missionary department,	-	-	-	\$65 00
Education department,	-	-	-	12 00
Sunday School Union,	-	-	-	20 00
Tract Society,	-	-	-	20 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society;	-	-	-	20 00
Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	16 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	10 00
Dom. and For. Miss. Society, (Dom. fund.)	-	-	-	55 00

Christ Church, Rye, Westchester county ; the Rev. PETER S. CHAUNCEY, Rector.

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 4) 5; Marriages 2; Deaths 20; Communicants (added 10, removed 4, died 1) 83.

Collections :—

Diocesan Missionary Society,	-	-	\$12 25
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	7 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	6 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	8 00
Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	28 15

\$61 40

The Ladies' Society belonging to this congregation have contributed, towards the purchase of an organ, \$225. The Vestry have appropriated nearly \$2000 towards the enlargement and repairs of the parsonage. These local expenditures, together with the general derangement in business, have curtailed our contributions to the benevolent societies of the Church.

During the past year, I have preached in addition to the services on Sunday, on every Wednesday evening during Lent; on the festivals and fasts, on funeral occasions, and on the Friday evenings preceding the Communion. I have also instructed a Bible class, and taken the superintendence of the Sunday school. In reviewing the past year, I have cause for thankfulness to the God of all grace : few indeed have been added to the Communion, but there is a decided improvement in the spiritual condition of the parish, and great interest manifested in the public services of the sanctuary. Since December last, I have established an afternoon service at Portchester, (formerly Sawpit, and 2 miles distant from Rye.) This service is held in the Methodist meeting house, which has been very kindly offered for the purpose; the accommodation is insufficient for the large and very interesting congregation who attend, and it is hoped that some measures will soon be taken for the erection of an Episcopal Church : the field is "already white to the harvest." The lectures at the houses of the parishioners, spoken of in the last report, have been intermitted during the summer, but will be resumed immediately after the Convention.

St. Paul's Church, Sing Sing, Westchester county ; the Rev. EDWARD N. MEAD, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 10, adults 2) total 12; Confirmed 7; Marriage 1; Funerals 3; Communicants (added 12, removed 8) present number 52; Sunday school—teachers 18, scholars 190.

Collections :—

Domestic department of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society,	-	-	\$60 27
The New-York Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	
Education Department,	-	-	17 63
Missionary Department,	-	-	25 65
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	7 84

The parish library has been increased by the addition of 65 volumes, making the present number 215 volumes.

A class for Biblical instruction was formed during the past summer, and instructed in a part of the book of Acts. The children are collected for catechetical instruction around the Chancel every Sunday afternoon after the congregation is dismissed. The whole number attending for this purpose is about 25.

The state of this parish does not differ materially from that at the date of the last report. The congregation continues to increase, and from many indications perceived, the Rector humbly trusts that "pure and undefiled religion" is advancing among the people of his charge.

As Chaplain of the New-York State Prison, he would further report, that the services detailed in the last annual report have been continued during the past year. The convicts manifest great interest in all the services performed. They join together with great apparent reverence and devotion in responding during the public worship, and seem to place a great value upon the Book of Common Prayer, which through the liberality of "the New-York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society," has been given to each of them. It is also due to "the New York Protestant Episcopal Tract Society," to acknowledge that the Chaplain has been authorized to draw, at his discretion, Tracts for the use of the convicts. A large number of Tracts have thus been brought within reach of the prisoners, where they may work with their silent yet effective influence. A small library of religious and devotional books has been placed in the hospital, for the use of the sick.

Four of the prisoners sick in the hospital have desired and received Baptism. The Holy Communion has also, on three different occasions, been administered to some of the sick convicts, who seemed to desire it with proper feelings of penitence and faith.

Baptisms (adults) 4.

St. Peter's Church, Westchester, Westchester county; the Rev. WILLIAM POWELL, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 3, children 13; 16; Marriages 4; Funerals 11; Communicants about 50; Sunday school pupils 68, teachers 18.

Collections:—

Domestic Missionary Fund,	-	-	\$92 35
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	34 01
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	23 98

\$150 34

The attendance upon the services of the church has so much increased, and additional pews are so much required, that the Vestry propose to erect galleries in the course of the ensuing winter. About \$1000 have been expended during the present year in erecting a Vestry and a school room.

Grace Church, White Plains, Westchester county; the Rev. ROBERT W. HARRIS, Rector.

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 4) 5; Funerals 6; Communicants (added 3) 47. Sunday school, teachers 7, scholars (male 19, female 40) 66.

Collections:

For Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	\$21 50
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	8 75
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	2 00

Episcopal Church at Tarrytown, from seven individuals, 51 00

The children of the congregation receive regular pastoral and catechetical instruction on every Lord's day, for an hour and a half before divine service.

From November last until July, I officiated on Sunday afternoons in St. Thomas' Church, Mamaroneck, a parish at that time without a settled pastor.

St. John's Church, Yonkers, including a Chapel at Tuckahoe, Westchester county; the Rev. ALEXANDER H. CROSBY, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 7, infants 20) 27; Marriages 5; Confirmed 10; Communicants (died 2, diminution by removals and otherwise 14, added 21) 77. Funerals 13; Sunday schools 2, number of scholars 100, average attendance 85, teachers 20.

Collections:

Missionary and Education Society,	-	-	-	\$92 00
Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	40 00
Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	40 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	4 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society, and expended for				
Prayer Books,	-	-	-	9 21
Sunday School of the Parish,	-	-	-	4 00
Contributed towards Christ Church, Tarrytown, about	*			100 00
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				\$289 21

The Sunday school has been unusually flourishing, owing, to a certain extent, to the punctual attendance of its teachers and scholars; and on every Wednesday evening during the summer, a lecture has been delivered to the teachers, by the Rector, explaining the Bible lesson for the ensuing Sunday.

During the winter, Divine service was performed on Wednesday evenings; and during the season of Lent, on Wednesday and Friday evenings. A true report of the state of the parish constrains me to add, that difficulties, which, to a greater or less degree, are said to have existed in this parish for the last 40 years, and which have mostly arisen from a difference of opinion as to the mode of defraying the annual expenses of the church, whether by pew rents or by subscription; and as to the qualifications of electors of the Vestry; have now been removed, by the blessing of Divine Providence.

All the pews offered for renting, have been taken. The number of attendants on Divine service has been unusually large and materially increased; and, in the tranquillity now prevailing, in the interesting accessions to the communion, in the increasing spirit of seriousness, are plainly discovered indications of improvement to enliven the hopes and to strengthen the faith of every friend of good order, of Christian consistency, of gospel morality, and of Church principles, and for which there is here recorded our deep sense of gratitude to the Author of every good and perfect gift.

MISSIONARY REPORTS.

The following portions of the reports of Missionaries are printed by direction of the Bishop :—

From the report of the Rev. WILLIAM ALLANSON, Missionary at Medina, Orleans county.

From the date of my last report I continued to officiate at Mechanicsville and Stillwater until the 12th of May, when, in consequence of long sickness in my family, and for want of competent support, it became my painful duty to relinquish the station. No sooner did circumstances permit, than I started for the West, and accepted an invitation to take charge of the church at Medina, Orleans county, which, for some time previous, had been in a declining condition. On the first of July I entered on my duties, since which time there have been :—

Baptisms 8 ; Marriages 2 ; Burials 2 ; Communicants (added 2, died 1) present number 35 ; Sunday school teachers 6, scholars 38.

A collection has been made for the Domestic Missionary Fund, amounting to \$10.

From the report of the Rev. HENRY S. ATTWATER, Missionary at Mount Morris, Livingston county.

After the last Diocesan Convention, I continued to officiate as formerly, two Sundays at Little Falls, and one at Herkimer and Mohawk, till the last Sunday in June, when I removed to Mount Morris, Livingston county, and commenced officiating for St. John's Church, in this place.

At the time of my removal, the condition of Emmanuel Church, Little Falls, continued much the same as at the date of my last report.

At Herkimer and Mohawk also the prospects of the Church continued much the same. They both presented inviting fields, in which only were needed the labors of a persevering and faithful missionary, with the Divine blessing, to secure to our Church permanent and flourishing congregations.

At Mohawk, your missionary was compelled, with deep regret, to abandon a spacious but neglected field, in which the voice of no herald of the cross was heard. Sunday after Sunday passed unmarked by the public worship of Almighty God, and among a population of nearly 600, the silence of the Lord's day was unbroken, save by the bustle of business on the canal, the noise of children unrestrained in their sports, and the passing of their parents to visit their neighbors.

A few individuals who prefer the services of the Church, have commenced the erection of a house for public worship ; but it depends upon the fostering care which they shall receive from us, whether it be consecrated as St. Luke's Church, German Flats, or be made the instrument in the hands of some other denomination of Christians, of gathering almost the entire population within the pale of their society.

Emmanuel Church, Little Falls.—Baptisms (infants) 3 ; Communicants (removed 3) present number 10 ; Marriages 5 ; Funerals 5.

Contributed :

To the Diocesan Missionary Society, - - \$12 50

St. Luke's Church, German Flats, Herkimer county.—Baptism (infant) 1 ; Communicants (removed 1) 9 ; Marriage 1.

Contributed :

To the Diocesan Missionary Fund, - - - \$4 81

St. John's Church, Mount Morris, Livingston county.—Baptisms (infant 1, adult 1) 2; Communicants (added 1) present number nearly as can be ascertained, no parish register having been kept, 35; Confirmed 2.

Contributed:

To the Diocesan Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	\$8 80
“ Education Fund,	-	-	-	3 35
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	2 21
“ Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	2 20

In addition to which, the ladies of the parish have presented the church with a complete set of sacramental vessels, at the expense of \$56 82.

On the 19th August last, this Church was consecrated to the service of Almighty God, in the presence of a crowded and attentive congregation; since which the pews have been sold for an amount sufficient, with the munificent aid proffered by Trinity Church of the city of New-York, to meet all the expenses of its erection, and exonerate the church of debt.

A Bible class has also been commenced, and the Sunday school revived; and measures have been adopted to lay the foundation of a parish library.

From the report of the Rev. DEODATUS BABCOCK, Missionary at Ballston Spa, and Saratoga Springs, Saratoga County.

Christ Church, Ballston Spa.—Baptisms (adults 4, infants 6) 10; Marriages 2; Funerals 8; Communicants (added 14, died 5, removed 6) present number 78; Sunday scholars about 70, teachers 12.

There have been collected and paid over to the—

Education and Missionary Society,	-	\$34 88
Diocesan Fund,	-	4 00

Through the aid of a donation of \$500 from Trinity Church, New-York, the Vestry have been enabled to complete the repairs on the church, and erect a very commodious Sunday school and Vestry room.

Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs.—My services in this congregation, during the past year, have been the same as years previous, and I trust they have been attended with a blessing. Among the regular attendants on divine service, there is evidently an increased attachment to church principles, and I would humbly hope, a corresponding increase of piety. Owing to some difficulty in procuring a proper site, and the pecuniary embarrassment of the times, the erection of a church is postponed, though we think, but for a short season.

Collections:—

Education and Missionary Society,	-	\$29 99
Diocesan Fund,	-	3 00

Baptisms 0, Marriages 2, Funerals 2, Communicants (added 6, removed 2) present number 20. Sunday scholars 25, teachers 6.

From the report of the Rev. AMOS G. BALDWIN, Missionary at Mayville and Jamestown, Chautauque county.

Since my last report I continued my services in Aurora, Levanna, and other places in Cayuga county, till the first of May. Collection for the Missionary Fund, \$5 94.

I came to the station composed of Mayville and Jamestown in May, and reside in the former place.

In Jamestown, the friends of the Church are few, and no elections have been held the two last Easters. The services performed there have been chiefly on Sunday evenings, going in the steamboat after two services in Mayville. Communicants (admitted 1) 6.

The church in Mayville had been sustained, after the removal of the former minister, by lay reading, a Bible class, and a Sunday school. The Bible class

is flourishing, and appears to be effective in its objects; as also the Sunday school. No record of either has been kept. The number who have received the Communion is 21; Baptism (infant) 1.

Collections:

Missionary,	-	-	-	-	\$3 59
Education,	-	-	-	-	2 00

From the report of the Rev. LIBERTY A. BARROWS, Missionary at Sherburne, Chenango county.

Since my last report, I have officiated as I did the year preceding, alternately at this place and Hamilton, Madison county. Of the prosperity of Christ Church, Sherburne, I have nothing of particular interest to add. Perhaps I may say that the past year has rather added to our strength. Though death has taken away her first supporters, and the fluctuation of business caused to remove some on whom she depended, still the church is not discouraged; they hope, with a blessing, another year, to support for the whole time the services of the sanctuary.

Communicants (added 5, removed 9) about 60; Baptisms (adults 2, infants 5) 7; Marriages 9.

The Sunday school numbers about 40 children and 8 teachers.

Collections:—

For the Diocesan Missionary and Education Society,	\$10 00
Episcopal Fund,	1 00
Diocesan Fund,	1 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	1 50
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	1 00

St. Thomas' Church, Hamilton, is very gradually gaining strength. Though the severe pecuniary pressure determined the Vestry to defer the erection of a church the present season, they intend, should the Lord prosper them, to make an effort to accomplish this very desirable object another year.

Collections:—

For Missionary and Education Society,	\$3 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	1 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	1 00

I have attended one funeral, and baptized one adult and two infants. In addition to the above, I have held a third service and preached five times in a school-house in the town of Lebanon, to a very attentive audience. I have also preached four times, administered the Communion once, and baptized one infant at Oriskany Falls. I have preached once in Augusta on a week day, administered the Communion in a private dwelling to a sick man, and baptized a child.

From the report of the Rev. AMOS B. BEACH, Deacon, Missionary at Walton, Delaware county.

Christ Church, Walton.—Since the first of May, at which time I was called to the charge of this station, there have been—

Baptized (infants 6, adult 1) 7; Confirmed (at Delhi) 1; Marriages 2; Funeral 1; Communicants (added 1) 33; Sunday school scholars 34, teachers 8.

Collection:

For Diocesan Fund,	\$5 62
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I was informed by the Vestry that the other collections required were made before I came.

Since my arrival I have (in addition to the regular services on Sunday) had on the Wednesday evening of every week lectures explanatory of the Scriptures. I have also performed missionary services in the towns adjacent, but

have not had time or opportunity to make any definite arrangement respecting the course to be pursued in this branch of my labors.

I found the cause of the Church and the interests of religion, in Walton, suffering much for the want of clerical services. Yet I cannot refrain from expressing my sense of the benefit which has been derived from the practice which has been continued, of opening the church upon every Sunday for *lay reading*. This has, under God, been the means of preserving the church in union and comparative prosperity, during the interval of more than a year, while they were destitute of a clergyman.

From the report of the Rev. SETH W. BEARDSLEY, Missionary at Moravia, Cayuga county.

In presenting a report of my services for the year past, at this station, I would respectfully state, that during that period, I have officiated in St. Matthew's Church on all the Sundays, except two, and also on the principal festivals and fasts.

One Sunday I have spent with St. Paul's Church, Aurora, and one with the congregation at Baldwinsville, Onondaga county.

Once on a funeral occasion, and twice on Sunday evenings, I have performed divine service, and preached to large congregations at Kelloggsville; once at Genoa, where I buried a liberal, intelligent, exemplary, and influential member of our communion; once, on a similar occasion, in the town of Locke, and twice at burials in Moravia.

A number of Prayer books have been distributed; the children in the parish have frequently been catechised, and a Bible class has been kept up for the greater part of the year.

The parish was found by me in a very depressed condition, much diminished by death and by removals. Out of a considerably larger number, only 12 communicants remained.

The congregation, though small, have for years, when destitute of a clergyman, kept up the services of the Church, and the reading of sermons by lay readers; and with a truly laudable, Christian and churchmanlike spirit, have remained at unity with themselves during the most discouraging seasons.

By the blessing of God, it is hoped that the parish has in some degree revived, during the year past. The congregation has increased considerably, by the accession of several highly respectable families and individuals, and the number of communicants has been materially enlarged.

The congregation, however, is still small and weak. We will do what we can to increase the funds of the Education and Missionary Society, though, we regret to say, it will be but little at present.

A collection has been made, and forwarded to the Treasurer of the Education and Missionary Society; and also a collection for the Diocesan Fund. We should have collected for the Episcopal Fund, but are under the impression that such collections are no longer required.

Baptisms (infants 2, adult 1) 3; Marriages 3; Burials 5; Communicants (added 10, died 2) present number 22.

Collections:

Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	-	\$4 75
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	2 50
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From the report of the Rev. MOORE BINGHAM, Missionary at Hampton, Washington county.

Christ Church, Hampton.—Communicants 33; Baptisms (infants) 6; Funerals 2; Marriages 2; Sunday school scholars 25, teachers 4.

The condition of this parish remains much the same as for several years past. Its members are few, but disposed, according to their power, to support the ministrations of the Gospel. The rectory, or parsonage, which was utterly unfit for the accommodation of a small family, has been improved by a large addition, at an expense of 6 to \$700. By this undertaking, now nearly accomplished, the parish are considerably involved in debt.

In addition to this heavy expenditure, the parish has undertaken, with the assistance of the missionary stipend, to make out the entire salary, and enjoy the undivided services of their minister.

Under such circumstances of embarrassment and increased effort, no contribution has been made, except to the Diocesan Fund.

It is neither for want of interest in the general institutions of the diocese, nor from disregard of ecclesiastical authority, nor from ingratitude for the benefits received from the diocese, but for want of ability, that the other canonical collections have not been made.

From the report of the Rev. JOHNSON A. BRAYTON, Deacon, Missionary at Norwich, Chenango county.

Emmanuel Church, Norwich.—I took the charge of this church and missionary station in August, 1836; and as no report of this parish was made at the last Diocesan Convention, the present will include the period of the last 18 months.

I have held Divine services, without interruption, in Emmanuel Church.

Number of families about 25; Baptisms (infants) 6; Marriages 4; Burials 5; Communicants (died 1, removed 3, added 14) 31.

Sunday school—teachers 9, scholars 54; regular attendance from 25 to 30. All taught the Catechism that are of suitable age.

The great expense to which the congregation has been subjected, and the difficulty of raising even a slender support for their minister, have made it seem expedient to omit all the usual collections for the common objects of the beneficence of our Church.

From the report of the Rev. NATHAN B. BURGESS, Missionary at Rome, Oneida county.

Since my last report I continued to officiate in St. John's Church, Richford, Tioga county, and Zion Church, M'Lean, Tompkins county, till the 17th of November last, when I relinquished the charge, and removed here. I have nothing in particular to report of those churches, except in St. John's: 1 (infant) baptism.

I commenced my labors in this parish on the 20th of the same month. But upon my arrival I found the people belonging to this church widely scattered, going astray like sheep without a shepherd, owing, no doubt, to the length of time in which the church had been destitute of a clergyman. I found them attending the meetings of other denominations; principally one of them. They however, returned by degrees to their own church, and the congregation rapidly increased. I have preached three times generally on Sundays, all the festivals and fasts, frequent evening lectures in the course of the week, and attended Divine service on Wednesdays and Fridays during the season of Lent; besides continually visiting from house to house.

The population is fluctuating—a few families have removed, yet more have come in, so that the church has gained a little strength by the fluctuation; and it is to be hoped, that there is a corresponding increase of piety. For causes above-mentioned, and the ill state of health of my family during the summer, I have confined my labors to this church the whole time, except one Sunday I preached in an adjoining town, for the purpose of attending a funeral. The Sunday school, though small, is continued as usual.

Communicants (removed 3, died 1, added 6) 33; Baptisms (adult 1, children 3) 4; Marriages 2; Funerals 2.

Collections :

Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	\$10 00
Tract Society,	-	-	-	-	-	3 75
Central Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	-	-	3 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	4 54

From the report of the Rev. LUCIUS CARTER, Missionary at Hunt's Hollow, Allegany county.

I entered upon missionary duty in this place the first Sunday in July last, having officiated up to that time in Danby and Candor.

According to arrangements made with the Vestry, I officiated here three Sundays in each month. On all the other Sundays I have hitherto preached in Perry village, Genesee county; in the vicinity of which there are a few very worthy and respectable men, strongly attached to the church, and many others who appear to esteem it a privilege to attend upon our services. I have also preached at Middle Falls twice, and at Nunda Valley once.

Since the first of July, there have been in St. Mark's Church, Hunt's Hollow :—

Baptism (infant) 1; Confirmed 3; Communicants (added) 3; Marriage 1; Funeral 1. Whole number of communicants, in consequence of several removals, about the same as last year, 80.

Contributions :

For Missionary and Education Society,	-	-	-	-	\$32 00
Hobart Professorship,	-	-	-	-	10 00

At Danby and Candor, at the time of my leaving that station, there were Communicants (added since last report 3) 33; Baptisms 2.

Contributions :

For. Mis. and Ed. Society, (\$10 from each church) - \$20 00

From the report of the Rev. JOSEPH H. COIT, Missionary at Plattsburgh, Clinton county.

Trinity Church, Plattsburgh.—During the past canonical year, 7 Communicants have removed to other places, 3 have died, and 1 has been suspended for immorality, 5 have been added, making the whole number of communicants remaining, 50; Baptisms (infants) 9; Marriages 6; Funerals 5.

Sunday scholars 60. Children are regularly catechised the first Sunday in every month.

Contributions :

To the Diocesan Missionary Fund, - - - \$25

St. Mark's Church, Malone, Franklin county.—Your missionary, having visited the above parish, submits the following statistical report of the same :—

One Communicant has left the parish, the whole number of communicants is 25; Baptism (infant) 1.

From the report of the Rev. WILLIAM C. COOLEY, Missionary at West Troy, Albany county.

Trinity Church, West Troy.—Baptisms (infants) 6; Marriage 1; Burials 8; Communicants 20. Sunday school, 60 scholars on the list, 30 average attendance.

There is a Ladies' Society of Industry, which has purchased the Episcopal Sunday School Library for the use of the school.

Collection :

Missionary, - - - - - \$12 26

From the report of the Rev. JOHN DOWDNEY, jun., Missionary at Kingston, Ulster county.

St. John's Church, Kingston.—Baptisms (infants) 10; Confirmed 6; Marriages 4; Deaths 8; Communicants (added 7, removed 7) 31.

Sunday school—teachers 9, scholars 90, average attendance about 40; Bible class, 21 members

Contributions:

Diocesan Fund,	\$4 50
Education Fund of the Diocese,	2 06
Missionary do.	11 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society of the Diocese,	5 55
Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union,	10 00

The sum of \$200 has been raised by the "Female Circle of Industry" of the parish, and appropriated in part toward the payment of a debt incurred through the erection of our edifice. About \$70 have been contributed by the congregation for the purpose of defraying the incidental expenses of the parish. During the year nearly \$1000 have also been raised to aid in the liquidation of the debt above mentioned. During the year a bell has been purchased. A beautiful marble baptismal font has been presented to the parish. We are now furnished with all the requisites for the proper performance of public worship.

The only books of instruction in the Sunday school are the Bible, Prayer-book, and Church Catechism. It is under the superintendence of the missionary, and all the children are regularly instructed in the Catechism. The library of our Union has been procured for the school. The Church has been opened for public worship on Christmas, Ash Wednesday, and Good Friday. It has also been opened on Thanksgiving day, and on the fourth of July. During the year I have preached occasionally at the village of Rondout, and once at Woodstock.

This parish is doing as well as can be expected. It has succeeded beyond the expectation of its friends, and although small compared with others, its influence has been salutary in the promotion of divine truth and order. Its growth is slow, but sure; and through its instrumentality a few, it is trusted, have been "added to the Church of such as shall be saved."

From the report of the Rev. PALMER DYER, Missionary at Whitehall, Washington county.

The condition and prospects of St. Paul's Church, Whitehall, continue to be good. By the Divine blessing, the Church grows with the growth of the village, which is fast increasing in population and in commercial importance. The size and character of the place, and the aspect of things in reference to the building up of the Church, render it a matter of peculiar moment that clerical services here, on the Lord's day, should be constant. I have therefore recently resigned the charge of Trinity Church, Granville, and now devote the whole of my regular services to the Church in Whitehall, giving occasional extra services in the neighboring hamlets and villages.

In Whitehall a contract has been made for the erection of a brick Gothic church, 40 by 67 feet, including the tower. It was to have been ready for consecration on the first day of November next; but, owing to the embarrassments of the money market, the contractors have been allowed to suspend operations until next spring. The church is to be finished early in the summer of 1838. In the mean time our meetings continue to be held in the academy.

A small Sunday school exists in Whitehall. Lay reading has been maintained during the year on those Sundays when the minister has officiated in another place.

St. Paul's Church, Whitehall.—Baptisms (infants 8, adults 2) 10; Marriage 1; Burials 3; Communicants (added 15, removed 11) 30.

Contributions :—

Education and Missionary Society,	\$3 93
General Missionary Society,	7 00
Diocesan Fund,	2 00
Charitable purposes,	44 80

\$57 73

Trinity Church, Granville.—Baptisms (infant 1, adult 1) 2; Marriage 1; Burials 3; Communicants (added 7, removed 2, self-suspended 2) 55.

Contributions :—

Education and Missionary Society, about	\$12 00
General Missionary Society,	6 15
Diocesan Fund,	3 85
Charitable purposes,	25 09

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Granville greatly needs the services of a *resident* clergyman, and is desirous to obtain such immediately.

In addition to my regular duties, I have, during the past year, given extra services in the following places, in some of them several times :—School districts, Nos. — and —, in the town of Whitehall; Fort Ann, Kingsbury, Argyle, Union Village, Hartford, and West Granville, in Washington county; Caldwell, and Glenn's Falls, in Warren county; and Pawlet, Fair Haven, and Benson, in the state of Vermont.

From the report of the REV. EDMUND EMBURY, Missionary at Penn-Yan, Yates county.

It is not more than two months and a half since your missionary took charge of his present station; but during this brief period he has had sufficient opportunity to satisfy himself as to the prospects of the Church here, and he believes them to be highly encouraging. A very neat edifice has been erected, and will be very soon so far completed as to enable us to conduct our services with greater satisfaction and advantage than we can at present. We have a promising Sunday school, and a society for improvement in church music. A collection was made for the Education and Missionary Society, which was placed in the hands of the treasurer; the amount is not remembered.

For the Diocesan Fund, \$1 00

For the Episcopal Fund, 1 00

The number of communicants is not yet known. Death 1.

From the report of the REV. GEORGE B. ENGLE, Deacon, Missionary at Fayetteville and Pompey, Onondaga county.

Trinity Church, Fayetteville, and Christ Church, Pompey.—Your missionary respectfully reports, that he commenced his labors on this station early in June last; and his time is equally divided between the churches.

The condition of the parish at Fayetteville will be reported by the Rev. Mr. Pound, who then relinquished its charge. Its members very generally manifest a deep interest in its prosperity, and a pious devotion to its progress.

A Sunday school, and a Bible class, have lately gone into operation; and in both, there is manifested a good degree of interest.

A Ladies' Sewing Society has also been formed, from which we hope to derive important aid in our benevolent efforts.

Baptism (infant) 1; Funerals 2; Communicants about 25.

Collected :

For the Missionary Society of the Diocese, - - -	\$7 00
For the Bible and Prayer Book Society of Central New-York, - - -	11 00
For Sunday school books, - - -	2 75
For do. by ladies, - - -	5 00
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	\$25 75

Christ Church, Pompey.—This congregation had no regular services, from the time the Rev. Mr. Whiting left it, in 1835, until my services commenced. It had become, in consequence, very much scattered. The Rev. Mr. Pardee spent a few weeks with them last spring, which had a salutary result; which it is hoped may continue and increase.

A Sunday school had been sustained by members of different congregations. In consequence, I thought it advisable not to organize another at present.

A Bible class has been formed, in which there seems a becoming interest.

The present number of Communicants is 32, being an addition of 2.

From the report of the Rev. BENJAMIN EVANS, Missionary at Patterson, Putnam county, and North Salem, Westchester county.

Christ Church, Patterson.—Baptisms (adults 4, infant 1) 5; Confirmed 4; Married 1; Funerals 2; Communicants (new 1, added by removal 3, death 1, removed 2) present number 12.

Collections:

Missionary Society of the Diocese, - - -	\$5 00
Episcopal Fund, - - -	2 00
Diocesan Fund, - - -	1 00

Our church edifice has been completed and consecrated. It is a chaste and commodious building; and by the liberality of our friends here and in New-York, together with the grant of the Corporation of Trinity Church, (N. Y.) of \$750, it is entirely out of debt.

The Ladies' Sewing Society of the parish has furnished the desk and pulpit of the new church with cushions, and the chancel and aisles with carpets. And by the hands of the late Mrs. Levina Stone, of New-York, formerly of this village, the missionary received for this church a neat set of communion furniture, and a Bible and Prayer book.

Our Sunday school, which we commenced immediately after the consecration of our church, numbers 24 scholars, and 3 teachers.

We have also organized a Bible class for adults, and it is well attended.

St. James' Church, North Salem.—Baptism (infant) 1; Married 1; Funerals 4; Communicants (added by removal 1) 19.

Collections:

Missionary Society of the Diocese, - - -	\$10 00
Episcopal Fund, - - -	2 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, - - -	3 00

The ladies of this parish, aided by a benevolent gentleman of the same, have been to the expense of some internal improvements of the church. In other respects there is no material alteration since the last report.

In addition to the duties of my two parishes, I have preached three times in Somers, Westchester county. The friends of the church in this place have it in contemplation to erect a church edifice early in the next year. In the neighborhood of North Salem, distance from the parish church about four miles, I have held five services. And in Burlington, Dutchess county, I have performed divine service and preached ten times, and married one couple. Your missionary has been received by these people with great kindness, and

listened to by attentive congregations. I hope the time is not far distant, when in this wealthy and respectable town, which is now almost destitute of any place of worship, we shall have an Episcopal church.

From the report of the Rev. ALEXANDER FRASER, Missionary at large in the city of New-York.

My present local report will only embrace a period of seven months; that is, from September, 1836, to May, 1837; at which time I resigned the charge of the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists.

The missionary, whilst having charge of this station, had much cause for gratitude, for the many blessings showered on that portion of the vineyard of the Lord during his connection with it.

The congregation and communicants continued to increase. The schools belonging to the station enjoyed great and increasing prosperity. Clothing to the amount of \$200, obtained by the teachers of the Sunday school, and made up into garments by the female teachers, and others belonging to the congregation, was distributed to the many almost naked children gathered into the school. The sum of \$405, of which \$135 08 was collected at the communion, the remainder by friends of the poor, at various times during the past winter, has been distributed by the missionary among the poor of the congregation, and others; also, a very large amount of clothing. He has been honored in ministering to the necessities of the sick and the destitute, and with the opportunity of pointing them to the only source of comfort, the friend in need—a very present help in trouble—the Saviour of sinners.

The Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists has been truly the church of the poor, the destitute, and the afflicted—the home of the emigrant—the “stranger, the fatherless, and the widow.” Its prosperity in spiritual things has been pleasing; temporal prosperity, in such a congregation, was not to be expected: but the sincere devotion in all the services, and the most serious attention to the word preached, gave pleasing evidence of prosperity in the best things.

The statistics from October, 1836, to May, 1837, are as follows:—

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 40) 41; Marriages 5; Funerals 2; Confirmed 17; Communicants (removed, &c. 14, increase 37) 100; Sunday scholars 336, increase 187; teachers 25, increase 10; average attendants 120, increase 60; daily infant school, average attendants 170.

In the beginning of May last, I entered upon the very arduous, responsible, and yet in many respects pleasing duties, of Missionary at large, for this city. Since then, I have performed the following acts:—Baptisms (adult 1, infants 3) 4; Marriages 5; Funerals 5.

I have distributed upwards of 700 Tracts, 8 Prayer books, and \$58 28 among the poor; collected 75 children for the daily infant school, for the Sunday school 50. I have made 1150 visits in my sphere of labor, in visiting from house to house. The number of persons who have been induced to come to church through my efforts, persuasion, and invitation, I cannot exactly state: but the number of those who have come to the Church of the Evangelists is considerable, and others doubtless have been induced to attend at church more contiguous to their residence. On Sunday, at the different mission stations and in other churches, I have officiated 24 times. In my visits as Missionary at large, I have not met with any very serious opposition. What I have met with, has been from that quarter where I expected to meet with it, namely, from Romanists and Deists. No one, who has not visited among the abject poor, can have any idea of the great mass of poverty and vice contained in the city of New-York; and little, comparatively, has as yet been done for its removal. Indeed, nothing will ever penetrate it but the Gospel of the ever-blessed God, and this must be carried to the houses and firesides of the poor, the wretched, and the dissolute. The harvest in this field is plentiful, but the laborers are few. There is ample room for a Missionary at large in every ward in the city, with one or two exceptions, perhaps.

From the report of the Rev. ISAAC GARVIN, Missionary at Wethersfield Springs, Genesee county, and Auroraville, Erie county.

I have officiated since last Convention as heretofore, at Wethersfield Springs, Genesee county, and Auroraville, Erie county, with occasional lectures at Sheldon and neighboring towns.

The church at Wethersfield Springs is finished, in good style, and ready for consecration. A good bell in it.

This church has cost \$5000; all paid excepting about \$800.

The general pressure in the money market has been so severely felt, and produced such failures, we relinquished all idea of building a church in Auroraville the present season.

The congregation at Wethersfield Springs has greatly increased in numbers, and we hope in grace, since last Convention.

St. Clement's Church, Wethersfield Springs.—Communicants 20; Marriages 3.

Collections:

For Education and Missionary Fund,	-	-	\$3 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	5 00
At Communion, for the poor,	-	-	5 65

St. Paul's Church, Auroraville.—Communicants 12. The congregation increasing.

Collections:

For Education and Missionary Fund,	-	-	\$4 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	3 00

From the report of the Rev. DAVID GRIFFITH, Missionary at Morristown and Heuvelton, St. Lawrence county.

Baptisms (infants) 14; Marriages 11; Funerals 2; Communicants, including both places, (added 3, removed 3) present number 35.

Sunday school, (Morristown,) 1 male superintendent, 5 female teachers, scholars from 30 to 35. Library about 100 volumes.

Collection:

For the Education and Missionary Society,	-	\$20 00
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Your missionary, since the last Convention, besides officiating twice on alternate Sundays at Morristown and Heuvelton, has officiated five times at school houses in the neighborhoods.

The spiritual condition of the congregation at Morristown, is apparently good and comfortable.

The prospects at Heuvelton are more encouraging than they have been; and notwithstanding the hindrances and difficulties I have had to contend with, and the prejudices entertained against the forms and usages of the Church, the hearers there have of late considerably increased. Mr. (Van Heuvel, the proprietor of the church at said village, has given me the gratuitous use of it for one year, that is, from August 1837 to August 1838.

From the report of the Rev. ORIGEN P. HOLCOMB, Missionary at Windham, Greene county.

Baptisms (infant 1, children 2) 3; Marriages 2; Deaths none; Communicants (new 4, removed 3) present number 57.

The Sunday school has been under my personal supervision, and always opened with devotional exercises. I have had the efficient aid of 5 female teachers, and the course of instruction has been catechetical and Biblical. Thirty scholars have attended the past summer. This number would be much increased, were it not for the distance many of the children of the parish reside from the church.

The services of the Church, on the Lord's day, have been more numerously attended the past summer than at any former period of my ministrations in this parish. Added to these, I have performed 17 extra services, and preached in various sections of this missionary station.

On these occasions the Scriptural doctrines and Liturgy of the Church are brought to the view of many, and appear to make a favorable impression, who otherwise would be most likely to remain ignorant of these superior religious benefits.

An esteemed friend, within the past year, has presented to this church a valuable *surplice*.

The benevolent efforts of the Female Missionary Society continue to be crowned with much success, and to be instrumental of enlarged usefulness.

Our church embraces a number of families and communicants in the adjacent towns of Lexington and Prattsville; and although its established friends are not wealthy nor very numerous, yet there is an anxious desire to enjoy the blessings of the Gospel and its ordinances, and the people gladly exert their best endeavors to sustain these high privileges in this community.

Collections :

For Episcopal Fund, - - - -	\$1 00
Convention Fund, - - - -	2 00
Diocesan Missionary Disposable Fund, - - - -	5 00
Female Association Disposable Fund, - - - -	10 00
Contributed by the Sunday School Fund, - - - -	2 50
By the Sunday School, for the Tract Society Fund, - - - -	1 00
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From the report of the Rev. REUBEN HUBBARD, Missionary at Stillwater and Mechanicsville, Saratoga county.

I entered upon the duties of this station about the first of May. The attendance at church in both places has been increasing, and I trust, more interest is felt in its prosperity.

In *St. John's Church, Stillwater*, there are Communicants 15. There is also a Sunday school faithfully taught by some zealous ladies of the church.

Collections :

For the Missionary Fund, - - - -	\$13 25
For the Diocesan Fund, - - - -	2 00

In *St. Luke's Church, Mechanicsville*, I have Married 1 couple; Communicants (added 1) in all 11.

Collections :

For the Missionary Fund, - - - -	\$4 91
For the Diocesan Fund, - - - -	0 95

After the last Convention I officiated one Sunday at Fortsville, Saratoga county, to an attentive and increasing congregation, and (after the first of January) the other Sunday in the morning at Sandy Hill, and in the afternoon at Fort Edward. But since my call to this mission, I have confined my services to these places.

From the report of the Rev. JOHN HUGHES, Missionary at Gilbertsville and Otego, Otsego county.

During the past year my time was divided between Gilbertsville and Otego; and in the former place the affairs of the church are very encouraging, in the increase of the congregation; in devout attachment to the doctrines, ordinances

and Liturgy of the Church ; and in serious attention to the spirituality of religion, evidenced by the addition of several young persons to the Communion.

Baptisms (adults 5, children 6) 11 ; Confirmation 17 ; Communicants (added 7) present number 54 ; Marriages 2 ; Funeral 1.

Collections, in Christ Church, Gilbertsville :—

Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	-	\$15 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	3 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	3 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	2 00

From the report of the Rev. AARON HUMPHREY, Missionary at Waddington, St. Lawrence county.

Your missionary has continued his services in Waddington three-fourths of the Sundays, and in Lisbon one-fourth, as stated in his last report. He has officiated on week days, once in Lewisville, and once in Canton.

He has baptized 30 children, performed the matrimonial service 6 times, and attended 2 funerals. There have been added 2 to the Communion, and several communicants have removed ; the number is now 28. We have 50 Sundayscholars. To aid the funds of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese of New-York, there has been contributed \$25.

In the midst of a population by no means favorable to evangelical truth and apostolic order, the church here makes but slow progress.

Baptisms 32 ; Marriages 6 ; Funerals 2 ; Communicants (added 2) whole number 28 ; Sunday scholars 50. Contributions \$25.

From the report of the Rev. HIRAM JELLIFF, Missionary at Lithgow, Dutchess county.

Since the last annual report, morning services have been confined to St. Peter's Church, Lithgow. It was deemed important that the church should be opened every Sunday morning.

Our evening services have been scattered over a wide surface ; they have been as follows, viz. :—

At Hitchcock's Corner, I have officiated 4 times, a distance of about 8 miles from Lithgow. At Stanford, which is distant about 6 miles, every fourth Sunday regularly, to an overflowing congregation. At Hartsville once. At Mabbettsville once. At Bangall once, to a crowded audience.

The rest of my time has been devoted to various other places in the parish, which it would be unnecessary to mention. I have not been able to visit Pine Plains during the past year, but hope to be able to do so before long. In reference to the above-mentioned places, I have the consolation to believe that my labors have not been in vain. The seeds, which through Providence I have been enabled to scatter, seem to rise before me daily. As to the state of our small parish church at Lithgow, I shall now give some account.

It is true, there have not been as many added to the number of communicants the present year, as were last ; but from the marked attention to the services of the Church, we have reason to hope that her borders will be gradually extended ; that many will be led to flock to her, as the true asylum, wherein may be found peace and consolation.

The number added to our Communion for the present year is 2, 2 more are now in readiness, 1 has removed to the west, the present number therefore is 22 ; Baptisms none ; Burials 3 ; Marriages 2 ; Confirmations 8. Sunday scholars about 20. The school I have attended to in person ; have had, however, the aid of others.

Catechetical instruction, together with that which refers to the services of the Church, has not been omitted.

Families entire belonging to the church about 16. There are also several families in which there are individuals connected with the church.

Collections required :

For the Missionary and Education Society, - -	\$13 25
For the Tract Society, - - -	2 57
Bible and Prayer Book Society, - - -	4 43
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	\$20 25

It was deemed unadvisable to make any further collections for the present year.

From the report of the Rev. LOT JONES, Missionary in charge of the Mission Church of the Epiphany, New-York.

Baptisms (adults 16, infants 95) 111 ; Funerals 58 ; Marriages 50 ; Confirmed 54 ; Communicants (died 17, removed 46, added 81) whole number 290. Sunday school, pupils 509, teachers 42 ; daily infant school, pupils 220, teachers 3.

The religious state of the congregation is prosperous. Many of the members have suffered severely from the general depression of business, and have been constrained to remove elsewhere in search of means of support, which could not be found here.

From the report of the Rev. JAMES KEELER, Missionary at Harpersville, Broome county.

Your missionary has, during the year past, officiated regularly in St. Luke's Church, Harpersville, except two Sundays in Windsor, and two in other vacant parishes. He has preached several times on week days, in evenings, and on special occasions. Though our church has suffered much from deaths and removals and the pressure of the times, yet we have good reason to believe, that by the continued aid of the Missionary Society and the blessing of God on our united efforts, she will continue to flourish, and eventually gratify the most sanguine expectation of her friends.

Families 48 ; Communicants (added 5, died 2, removed 3) 45 ; Baptism (infant) 1 ; Marriages 8 ; Funerals 7. Sunday scholars 42, teachers 10.

Collections :

For the Episcopal Fund, - - - -	\$3 00
For the Missionary Fund, - - - -	15 00

From the report of the Rev. EZRA B. KELLOGG, Missionary in charge of the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists, New York.

My last annual report left me in the discharge of missionary duties in the third station. I continued in this field until the first Sunday in May, when I entered on the charge of the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists. During this interval, my services were performed as heretofore reported. The Sunday schools belonging to the station continued to flourish ; and although the congregations were small, yet I have reason to believe that the seed was not sown in vain.

Through a blessing on the labors of my predecessor, the Rev. Alexander Frazer, the Sunday school of the Church of the Evangelists was found in a prosperous condition, and the congregation itself had begun to revive, before the commencement of my labors among them. There has since been a very cheering increase in our numbers, and, so far as I am able to judge, a spirit prevails which gives the promise of good.

The number of communicants in the Church of the Holy Evangelists reported to me by my predecessor, was 98. Added 61, of whom only 11 are new communicants. Deaths 2, removals 3, present number 154. Baptisms 29 ; Funerals 8 ; Marriages 6 ; Sunday scholars who are actual attendants 254, average attendance for the last two or three weeks 155, teachers 25.

In the daily infant school, 230 children have recently attended. The average number is about 143. These are under the instruction of a female superintendent, and two assistant teachers.

The Parish and Sunday school libraries, since the receipt of the Hammond-street collection, amount to 728 bound volumes, beside those in pamphlet form.

In representing the state of this Mission Church at the present time, I may truly say, such are the indications of prosperity in every department, that its friends have much reason to thank God, and be encouraged still to pray for the continuance of his blessing.

From the Report of the Rev. JOHN KNILL, Deacon, Missionary at Little Falls and Mohawk, Herkimer county.

Emmanuel Church, Little Falls.—Your Missionary came to this place immediately after his ordination, on the 20th of June last, as a Deacon. During the three months he has labored here, the Divine blessing has manifestly appeared, in the increased numbers and seriousness of the congregation.

Two collections have been made :—

For the Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	\$5 00
Diocesan,	-	-	-	3 00

Communicants (added 3) present number 14.

Occasional services have likewise been rendered at the villages of Harkimer and Mohawk.

From the Report of the Rev. STEPHEN McHUGH, Missionary at Holland Patent, and Oriskany, Oneida county.

In the month of April last, your missionary resigned his charge at Waterloo, Seneca county, and accepted an invitation to his present sphere of duty, in which, through Divine aid, he has since been laboring; officiating three times on each Sunday, that is, giving a morning service at Holland Patent, then proceeding to Oriskany, and holding an afternoon and evening service there. He has also officiated twice in the Methodist meeting house at Hampton, and once in the Unitarian at Trenton; the latter at the funeral of a young lady, daughter of the clergyman of that congregation.

Your missionary rejoices in being enabled to state that the number of hearers in both the parishes comprising his charge has greatly increased; but whether, in these days of instability and fluctuation, this increase may be permanent, time alone must determine.

At Holland Patent, the congregation, through the wonted liberality of the Corporation of Trinity Church, New-York, have been enabled to make necessary alterations and additions in and around the church edifice, and to erect a comfortable and convenient parsonage, in which your missionary is now residing.

Statistics of both parishes as follows :—

St. Paul's Parish, Holland Patent.—Baptism (infant) 1; Marriages 0; Funeral 1; Communicants (added 2, removed 2) 24.

Collections :—

Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	\$3 00
Education and Missionary,	-	-	-	4 69
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St. Peter's Church, Oriskany.—Baptisms (infants) 29; Funerals 3; Marriages 3; Communicants (added 2, removed 4, died 3) 50.

Collections :—

Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	\$3 00
Education and Missionary,	-	-	-	5 37
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From the report of the Rev. THOMAS MEACHEM, Missionary at Centrefield, Ontario county.

I relinquished the station at Hunt's Hollow in March last, and immediately entered upon the duties of my present station. During a residence of four years at Hunt's Hollow, I had the pleasure of witnessing an accession to the church, the number of communicants when I left being about as many again as when I commenced my labors among them.

I would here record my gratitude to them for their attachment to me as their minister, which was abundantly evidenced in the regret they expressed, and the tears they shed, when I took my leave of them. I pray God to preserve them unto his heavenly kingdom.

My report for my present station necessarily embraces a period of six months only. I rejoice, however, that during my short residence here, Providence has smiled upon the Church, and I cannot but flatter myself that my feeble efforts to promote the glory of God, and the salvation of immortal souls, will be crowned with success.

It is quite animating to witness the manner in which the members engage in our admirable service; each of them responds *distinctly* and *audibly*, and thus a *proper effect* is given to it.

I have Baptized 6 adults and 4 infants; 20 Communicants have been added, 1 has died.

At East Bloomfield, where I preach every fourth Sunday, the prospect is encouraging. A Ladies' Sewing Society has been formed, and is in successful operation.

From the report of the Rev. TIMOTHY MINOR, Missionary at Port Jackson, Montgomery county, and West Charlton, Saratoga county.

My services at Port Jackson, Montgomery county, and West Charlton, Saratoga county, have been equally divided between the two churches the last past year.

At Port Jackson, the Vestry, with great effort, have finished their plain, but elegant and commodious church, which was consecrated on the 30th of July; but they have not yet been able to furnish the interior with the necessary conveniences. A Sunday school society, auxiliary to the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, has been organized, in which a respectable number of persons have united. A Sunday school has also been established, apparently with great success, there having been as many as 50 or 60 scholars engaged in it first and last; but what the settled number will ultimately be, is impossible at this time to ascertain, but presume it will be respectable.

Communicants admitted since the consecration of the church 6; Baptisms (infant 1, adult 1) 2; Confirmed 2.

St. Mary's Church, West Charlton.—Communicants (added 1, removed 4) present number 4; Funerals 2.

St. Ann's Church—Contributions:

To the Missionary Society,	-	-	-	-	\$2 50
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	2 00

From the report of the Rev. THOMAS MORRIS, Missionary at Ellicottville and Olean, Cattaraugus county.

My time has been occupied, as usual, equally between these two places; besides preaching in other settlements in this vicinity. I cannot say that any thing has occurred during the past year that indicates any remarkable advancement of spiritual prosperity in my parishes, except it be in an increased attendance on Divine worship on Sundays. Neither of our churches is yet finished; the great depression in the financial concerns of the country has been felt with us as well as elsewhere. The church in Ellicottville, however, is in a state of forwardness, and I suppose will be completed in about five or

six weeks. The one at Olean, I fear, will have to remain in its present state until next spring.

Of the collections required by the canons, I have been under the necessity of omitting two, the Diocesan and Episcopal fund.

Amount collected :

For Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	\$20 00
For Education,	-	-	-	-	-	6 42

Number of Communicants at Ellicottville 14 ; Marriages 2.

At Olean, Communicants 13 ; Marriages 2. We have here a Sunday school with about 25 scholars and 3 teachers.

At Ellicottville we have not yet commenced our school, but purpose doing so as soon as we can occupy our church.

From the report of the Rev. RUFUS MURRAY, Missionary at Lewiston, Niagara county.

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 8) 9 ; Marriages 16 ; Deaths 10 ; Communicants (added 9, removed 2) present number 29.

Collections :

For the Missionary Society, (as transmitted),	-	\$18 00
Sunday school purposes,	-	10 00
Education and Missionary Society,	-	2 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	2 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	1 00
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		\$33 00

My services, during the past year, have been wholly devoted to St. Paul's Church, Lewiston, with the exception of occasional services at Youngstown, and one at Niagara Falls, on a funeral occasion by the death of a worthy communicant of the church. The prospects of the church here are encouraging.

A Sunday school is in successful operation—has about 40 regular scholars, 1 superintendent, and 5 teachers, besides the personal attention given to it by myself, which as a nursery of the church is productive of the greatest good.

From the report of the Rev. GEORGE H. NORTON, Missionary at Allen's Hill, Ontario county.

Your Missionary continues to occupy the station assigned him at this place, but has to regret his inability to report any very essential progress during the past year. Through the indulgence of a kind providence, his general health has been much improved of late, and now admits of his performing a larger amount of duty than formerly. His services abroad have been less frequent since the date of his last report, owing in part to indisposition through the past winter, and since that period, to the arrival of a brother missionary at the hitherto vacant station at Centrefield in this county, in which parish he had been accustomed to perform occasional services for a year or two past. Your missionary has recently commenced preaching in the town of East Bloomfield, and with the Divine permission expects to continue his labors there once a month. This ground has been accommodated for the past summer with a similar service by the Rev. Mr. Meachem, who doubtless will furnish you with an interesting account of our prospects there. The state of the church at Allen's Hill remains about the same as when last reported.

The sum raised for the Education and Missionary Society, for the year past, has been \$15 50.

From the report of the Rev. WILLIAM P. PAGE, Deacon, Missionary at Geneseo, Livingston county.

Since the 1st of March, I have preached at Geneseo in the morning, and in the afternoon and evening at Avon; having assented to this arrangement, in the belief that the interests of both parishes required it, especially that at Avon, as they would otherwise, it was feared, from their inability to support a clergyman, be entirely without religious services. I trust, however, that after the present year they will be in a condition to avail themselves of the entire services of a clergyman, as I doubt not, will also the parish at Geneseo. The whole number of Baptisms in St. Michael's Parish, Geneseo, during the past year, has been 15; of Deaths 6; and of Marriages 11. At Avon, Marriage 1; number of Communicants at Geneseo 31—at Avon 23. Number of Sunday scholars at Geneseo 30—at Avon 39. As the parish at Geneseo has recently been at the expense of purchasing a communion service, and painting and repairing their church, I thought it best to postpone collections for Missionary and other purposes, for a short time. I hope to make remittances from both parishes the next month. I have at present only \$7, given for the Diocesan Fund.

From the report of the Rev. NATHANIEL O. PRESTON, Missionary at Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer county.

St. Mark's Church, Hoosick Falls.—The missionary has divided his services between this and his parish at Bennington, in the diocese of Vermont, as heretofore. Besides the regular services on Sunday, together with his personal superintendence of Sunday school, he has preached occasional lectures, and attended funerals in other places; also gave a weekly lecture during the winter. A convenient chapel has been fitted up for Divine service, which has been uniformly well filled by an attentive and apparently serious congregation. Prejudices have been removed; our deeply devotional and highly scriptural Liturgy is manifestly engaging the hearts and affections of the people; and upon the whole, we have reason to "thank God and take courage."

Baptisms (infants 2, adult 1) 3; Confirmed 2; Communicants 11; Marriage 1; Burials 2. Sunday scholars 30.

Contributions:

For Missionary and Education Society, \$16 00

From the report of the Rev. HENRY H. PROUT, Missionary at Cairo, Greene county.

My appointment to this station was on the first of April of the present year. From that time, and for the seven weeks immediately preceding it, I have continued to preach on alternate Sundays at this place and at Oak Hill. The only exception to this has been two Sundays, when my regular labors were discontinued on account of ill health. In addition to ordinary duties, the services to be reported are the preaching of a lecture weekly during the season of Lent; and also some public discourses on confirmation preparatory to the visit of the Bishop.

The number of Communicants belonging to this church is 8; Baptisms (adults 2, children 2) 4; Confirmed 3; Marriage 1; Funeral 1.

The congregation, though in point of numbers encouraging, is not large. A small Sunday school is operating with success; whole number of children belonging to it 30—of those who constantly attend 20, teachers 5. Books in library 45 volumes.

A monthly missionary meeting has been established. Contributions at that meeting, and a collection in the church, enable us to present as the offerings of this parish:—

To the Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	-	\$6 00
Education Fund,	-	-	-	-	2 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	1 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	1 00

In St. Paul's Church, Oak Hill, I have officiated one half of the time, alternately with the Rev. Mr. Thompson. In the prospects of the church here, there is good reason to labor cheerfully, and hope for permanent success.

Besides the usual duties of the church on Sundays, I have solemnized 1 Marriage.

Collected :

For the Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	-	\$3 00
For the Missionary Fund,	-	-	7 25

From the report of the Rev. SETH S. ROGERS, Missionary at Fayetteville, Chenango county.

Communicants reported to last Convention, 49, (added 1, removed 3) present number 47 ; Confirmed at Mount Upton, 1 ; Baptisms (adult 1 at Mount Upton, infants 5) total 6 ; Marriages 3 ; Burials (adults 1, infants 3) total 4.

Collections :—

Missionary,	-	-	-	\$7 00
Education,	-	-	-	1 00
Diocesan,	-	-	-	1 00
Episcopal,	-	-	-	1 00

Total, \$10 00

In addition to the above, your missionary has preached, since the 4th of June, at 5 o'clock, in the church at Mount Upton, to a congregation respectable for numbers, and made a collection for the Missionary Society, amounting to \$1 65. At the visitation of the Bishop, 2 were confirmed in that parish : one from Bainbridge, and the other, for the present, considers himself attached to the congregation at Fayetteville. I have also exchanged with Rev. Messrs. Bush, Adams and Van Ingen, once each, and preached in one of the neighboring districts. The rest of the time, my attention has been confined to the interesting parish at Fayetteville ; and although but one has been added to the Communion, your missionary has no reason to despond. The congregation continues to increase in numbers, and he trusts in all Christian graces. There are several who are anxiously inquiring in regard to the church, and will eventually become members. The Sunday school, owing to want of books for the library in the early part of the season, was not so well attended as in times past, but will doubtless be more flourishing. Teachers 5, scholars 35. The parish is as yet but feeble ; and the members, with feelings of gratitude for what the Missionary Society has already done for them, still look for their benevolent aid to enable them to sustain the regular services of the church. The Ladies' Benevolent Society, organized last summer, is in successful operation, and will eventually be the means of doing much good.

From the Report of the Rev. CHARLES SEABURY, Missionary at Setauket and Islip, Suffolk county.

I have, through the mercy of God, been able to keep both my churches open through the year past, excepting a very few Sundays when it was my turn to have been at Islip, in the middle of the winter ; but the weather was such that I thought it too hazardous to attempt crossing the island. The church in Setauket is well attended by an attentive serious congregation. In addition to my usual services, I have visited the sick, and preached lectures 5 or 6 times, some of which have been 10 or 12 miles distant from my dwelling. The Islip church has been rather better attended during the last year, and I am in hopes that it is improving.

Baptisms at Islip, (adults 2, infant 1) 3. Setauket—Marriages 3 ; Funerals 4.

From the report of the Rev. ISAAC SHERWOOD, Missionary at Cold Spring Harbor, Queen's county.

I resigned the parish of Glen Cove in July last. My labors are now given to the parishes of Cold Spring and Oyster Bay, with the exception of occasional services at Huntington. At Cold Spring the church continues to prosper; there the Divine blessing has abundantly rested upon our exertions. The church edifice was consecrated on the 5th of April last, and with the aid of a liberal donation of \$500 from Trinity Church, New-York, is now entirely free from debt.

The ladies of the parish have furnished a bell, and pulpit and chancel ornaments.

With much pleasure we record our grateful remembrance of the gift of an elegant set of books for the use of the altar and desk, made to this church by the late lamented Miles R. Burke, Esq., of New-York.

Confirmations 10; Communicants 15; Baptisms (adults 4, children 8) 12; Marriages 5; Funerals 3.

Collections:

Missionary,	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$5 00
Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
Education,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 00

At Oyster Bay the celebration of Divine service continues to be well attended. In this parish we are encouraged by the appearance of a growing interest, zeal, and attachment for the apostolic institutions of the Church. The congregation still continue to assemble in the academy, but it is hoped that ere long they will enjoy the privilege of worshipping in a consecrated building.

Baptisms (adults 4, children 2) 6; Funeral 1.

Collections;

Missionary,	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$1 00
Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
Education,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 00

At Huntington, the church has been opened for public worship since the beginning of August. In the absence of the missionary, the service is performed by lay reading. The hope is cherished that the time for reviving this ancient parish is not far distant.

Collection:

For the Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	-	-	\$4 59
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From the report of the Rev. LUCIUS SMITH, Missionary at Fredonia, Chautauque county.

Your missionary begs leave to report, that since his last report, he has not only continued to officiate in Trinity Church, Fredonia, and St. Peter's Church, Forestville, but has extended his labors to *La Grange*, a flourishing village which is rapidly increasing on the banks of the Cattaraugus, and is within one mile of the mouth of Cattaraugus Creek, where the new "*City of Irving*" is situated, and where under the most auspicious circumstances I have, since I had the pleasure of seeing you at Forestville, organized a parish under the name of "*St. James' Church, La Grange.*" So much engaged are the people at this point, that I have determined to extend to them one-fourth of my time, (a distance from my residence of 15 miles;) and I shall also, by God's blessing and permission, officiate a portion of my time at Forestville. The friends of St. James' Church, at La Grange, have already raised nearly \$1000 toward building a church.

If God continues to bless me with health and strength, (as he has heretofore

most abundantly vouchsafed,) I shall do what in me lies, the ensuing year, to build up and strengthen these three interesting congregations. We are in great need "of *Prayer Books* and *Tracts*."

I am most happy to say, that Trinity Church, Fredonia, continues united and prosperous; the congregation has very much increased the past year. I have adopted the system of "Monthly Offerings" in Trinity Church, and have succeeded beyond my expectation. I have collected for Domestic Missions, \$30.

Baptisms (infants) 3; Marriage 1; Communicants (added 3) 33; Funerals 10. Confirmations (in St. Peter's Church, Forestville) 3.

From the report of the Rev. RICHARD SMITH, Missionary at Elmira, Chemung county.

Your missionary feels grateful to the great Head of the Church, that he has been permitted to see his anticipations in the last report realized in this station.

We opened our new church in February last, and I am pleased to say we have increased in our congregation more than double; and if I may infer from present appearances, the church in this place may be said to be in a prosperous state.

I have occasionally, since Brother Gilbert's removal to Palmyra, visited Big Flats and Johnson's settlement.

My labors for the past year have been as follows:—At Elmira I have attended 89 services; at Southport, 4; at Johnson's Settlement, 7; at Big Flats, 11; at Bath, 2; at Hammondsport, 1; at Chemung, 1; and at Factoryville, 1.

I have solemnized 4 Marriages; Baptized 14, (5 adults, 9 children;) Buried 12, (10 adults, 2 children.) There are now 19 Communicants, (1 dead, 5 removals.) Sunday school, 10 teachers, and about 50 scholars.

From the report of the Rev. ERASTUS SPALDING, Missionary at Vienna, Ontario county, and Sodus, Wayne county.

Subsequently to my last annual report, and from Christmas last past, I have continued to officiate at my two stations as formerly, half of the time at each place, the arrangement of my services being much the same as last reported. I have pretty regularly performed three services on Sundays at each place. Present appearances warrant me more encouragement for the success of the good cause here than I have ever heretofore had, especially in the parish at Sodus. At that place, through the Divine blessing, the church is most manifestly gaining in numbers, as also in the affections of the people. It is true, owing to the dispensation of an all-wise Providence, but two were there confirmed at the last Episcopal visitation; still, however, there have been several accessions to the communion.

In Vienna, the chief encouragement is derived from the obviously more favorable manner in which the interests of the church are viewed. There seems to be a growing disposition to sustain the church. Small, indeed, have been the accessions to the communion, yet a goodly number, eight, came to be confirmed at the recent Episcopal visitation. We had hoped this year to have had a church erected here; but the pressure of the times has hitherto prevented the making of the effort.

Collections have been and will by Divine permission be made, in both of my parishes, for the benefit of the Diocesan and Missionary funds.

In *Sodus*.—Baptized (adults 2, infant 1) 3; Marriages 2; Funeral 1; Communicants (added 5, removed 1) present number about 34.

In *Vienna*.—Baptized (adult 1, infants 3) 4; Marriage 1; Funerals 5; Communicants (added 5, removed 2) present number 10 or 11.

In *Fairville*, (in the town of Arcadia,) Baptized 3 infants. Also, in *Pulteyville*, Baptized 1 infant.

From the report of the Rev. CYRUS STEBBINS, D. D., Missionary at Waterford, Saratoga county, and Cohoes, Albany county.

Grace Church, Waterford, and *St. John's Church*, Cohoes.—Marriages 6; Baptisms (infants) 7; Funerals 10; Communicants (Waterford 38, Cohoes 14) 52.

Collections have been made for the Missionary and Education Society—for the Missionary Branch exclusively—and also for the Diocesan Fund.

Waterford—

Missionary Society,	-	-	-	-	-	\$15 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	3 00
						\$18 00

Cohoes—

Missionary Society,	-	-	-	-	-	\$9 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	1 50
						\$10 50

Divine service has been performed regularly three times every Sunday: viz. twice in Waterford, and once at Cohoes. There is a Sunday school in each church.

From the report of the Rev. WILLIAM TATHAM, Missionary at Fairfield, and Norway, Herkimer county.

During the past year my services have been divided between Fairfield, Middleville, and Norway. On the first and third Sundays in the month I have officiated at Fairfield, on the second Sunday at Middleville, and on the fourth Sunday in the month at Norway. I have also held Divine service on several occasions at Newport.

During the College term, a considerable accession of hearers is added to our congregation at Fairfield, which, though it may not increase this portion of our Lord's vineyard, has a direct tendency to dissipate those prejudices which have so long exerted a baleful influence against the Protestant Episcopal and Apostolic Church.

It is to the Female Missionary Association, and other female charities, that we are chiefly indebted for the sums which are raised here in behalf of the Missionary and Education Society of this Diocese.

I have appointed part of the first Sunday in each month for the purpose of examining the children of the Sunday school in Fairfield; and being deeply convinced that the prosperity and welfare of the Church depend in no small degree on catechetical and religious instruction, I have repeatedly urged upon the members at Norway, the immediate necessity of having a Sunday school (in accordance with the views of the Apostolic Church) established there; and I have every reason to believe that they will accord with my wishes.

Baptisms, at *Fairfield*, *Trinity Church*, (infants) 6.

Communicants at *Fairfield*, *Middleville*, and *Newport*, (removed 5) 64—of which number 55 are females, there being only 9 male communicants; Marriages 4; Funerals 8.

Communicants at *Norway*, *Grace Church*, (added 2) 51, of which number 25 are females.

Collections, for Missionary and Education purposes of this Diocese :

Fairfield Ladies' Association, - - - -	\$8 89
Norway Ladies' Association, - - - -	3 75
Middleville Ladies' Association, - - - -	1 50
Fairfield—from Offerings, - - - -	9 00
Norway, do. - - - -	2 94
Middleville, do. - - - -	2 01

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Fairfield—Domestic Missions, from a person not a member, - - - -	\$60 50
Do. Foreign Missions, (donations,) - - - -	2 95
Do. Tract Society, (Offerings \$1, Dona. 50 cts.) - - - -	1 50
Do. Diocesan Fund, - - - -	1 35
Do. Episcopal Fund, - - - -	1 00

\$7 80**For the Prayer Book and Bible Society of the Central part of this State :**

Fairfield—Collection, - - - -	\$1 84
Norway—from Offerings, - - - -	1 00
Middleville—from Offerings, - - - -	1 00
Norway—Donation, - - - -	0 25
Fairfield—Donation, - - - -	0 50

\$4 59

From the report of the Rev. FOSTER THAYER, Missionary at Waterloo, Seneca county.

I have preached in this parish but a few months, having received an invitation to officiate as the minister the 10th of May; my report must be therefore brief.

There has been, during the summer, a regular and increasing attendance upon the services of the church. The church has been well filled. There is a fair prospect of an increase of the congregation. I have witnessed with pleasure the interest manifested for the truths of religion, a growing attachment to the beauty of order, combined with the beauty of holiness.

Immediately after the commencement of my labors, I succeeded in establishing a Sunday school, which numbers 60 scholars and 6 teachers. By the direction of its worthy superintendent, it still continues to flourish. I have met the superintendent, teachers and children regularly once a week, and explained the lessons taught in the school.

I have recently established a course of pastoral visitation, united with biblical instruction, by meeting different families once a week at their dwellings.

We have introduced the plan of "Monthly Offerings," but we have not had time to carry it into full operation.

Baptisms (infants) 2; Funerals 3; Communicants (added 3) the whole number 60.

Contributions:

Episcopal, - - - -	\$5 00
Education and Missionary, - - - -	5 00

From the report of the Rev. JAMES THOMPSON, Missionary at Durham, Greene county.

I have not any thing very important to communicate to you, respecting my parishes of St. Paul's Church, Oakhill, and Christ Church, Greenville, where I officiate. My ministerial services have been equally divided between them the year past. Three Sundays, last winter, I failed preaching at Greenville, in

consequence of bad travelling. The congregation at Greenville remains about the same as last year. One Communicant of the church has died, and 1 is added to the Communicants; there are now 26 Communicants. The Sunday school has been revived, and contains 17 scholars, and is prosperous.

The weekly offering of the Cent Society has now been in operation four years, and appears to be the best mode of raising money for the Education and Missionary Society, and other purposes. Eighty dollars have been expended in painting the church, this year. Mr. Reuben Rundle has given to the church \$500, to remain a permanent fund for the support of the ministry, &c.

St. Paul's Church, at Oakhill, has improved a little since last year. One adult has been baptized, and 2 added to the Communion. The responses and singing in the congregation are well performed. The Rev. Mr. Prout commenced preaching the 19th of February last, as an assistant with me for one half the time in the Oakhill congregation. I have not failed of preaching one Sunday, the year past, in consequence of ill health, notwithstanding my advanced age.

I am so desirous for the prosperity of this church, that I agreed with the Vestry, that all the money which could be raised in the congregation should be paid Rev. Mr. Prout toward his salary. I would receive nothing for performing Divine service one half the time, and would also pay him \$50 out of my missionary stipend. I expect Rev. Mr. Prout will report to you his services, &c.

I have attended 3 Funerals, performed 2 Marriages, and Baptized 1 adult. Collections will be made for Education and Missionary Society, &c.

Collections at Greenville:—

For Missionary Society,	-	-	-	\$8 00
For Education Society,	-	-	-	2 00
For Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	0 75

Collections at Durham:—

Missionary Society,	-	-	-	\$7 25
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From the report of the Rev. AMOS C. TREADWAY, Missionary at Sacket's Harbor, Jefferson county.

Christ Church, Sacket's Harbor.—Baptisms (infants) 6; Marriage 1; Burial 1; Communicants (removed 6) 28.

Offerings of the Church:

Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$32 50
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	2 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	1 00
Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	1 25
Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	-	2 63
Sunday school purposes,	-	-	-	-	1 00

\$40 38

St. Paul's Church, Brownville.—Baptisms (infant) 1; Burials 3; Communicants (deceased 2, added 5) 34.

"Offerings of the Church" up to 1st July last:

Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$27 23
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I relinquished my charge of Zion Church, Pierrepont Manor, in October last, it being convenient for the Rev. Mr. Watkins, who had served the congregation as lay reader for some months previously on the Sundays of my absence, and was now admitted to the order of Deacon, to devote the whole of his time to the interests of that parish.

I also resigned the cure of St. Paul's Church, Brownville, in August last, in favor of the Rev. F. Rogers, who, in connexion with the parish, teaches a classical school.

Of the condition of the church here, I have great satisfaction in stating

that it is highly encouraging. The congregation has considerably enlarged the past year, and the communion has gained some valuable accessions. The present incumbent enters on his duties with high promise of usefulness; and I sincerely pray that the blessing of Almighty God may attend his labors among a people once greatly depressed, but now somewhat revived, and to me peculiarly endeared for their kind acceptance of my imperfect services, and the generous returns they have never failed to render.

By the arrangement above mentioned, I am enabled to devote the afternoon of every alternate Sunday to a promising congregation gathered in the village of Dexter, at the mouth of Black River. Here, it is hoped, we shall soon organize an Episcopal Church; and, in the course of the next season, I make no doubt, a neat and well-planned edifice will be erected, to the worship and praise of God.

On September the 5th, I assisted in organization of a church called "St. John's," at the thrifty village of Port Ontario, Oswego county, (where I had previously held two services,) and on the same day laid the corner stone of an Episcopal church. At Pulaski, three miles distant from the port, I have also officiated on one occasion; and there is a prevailing desire for the establishment of the services of our Church there; which places, in connexion, will form a very desirable field for some devoted and zealous clergyman.

There is nothing peculiarly interesting in the state of religion, at the present moment, at Sacket's Harbor. Some losses have been sustained to the communion by removals from the parish, and I am grieved to say, none have been added. The best that can be said of us is, we have done more in temporals than in spirituals. The church has been furnished with a fine-toned bell, and the ladies have defrayed the expense of affixing green outside blinds to the windows, which adds much to the appearance of the edifice. I may also remark, that although the "Offerings of the Church" have fallen short of the amount which I stated to the Secretary of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese, I thought we could raise, nevertheless, sufficient to show the interest felt in the subject of missions.

From the report of the Rev. HENRY TULLIDGE, Missionary at Seneca Falls, Seneca county.

Trinity Church, Seneca Falls.—Baptisms (infants 10, adults 4) 14; Confirmations 11; Communicants (added 15, died 1) 29; Marriages 2; Funerals 9. Sunday school teachers (male 6, female 7) 13, scholars 40.

Collections :—

For the Diocesan Missionary Society,	\$10 00
Episcopal Fund,	1 00

I took charge of this station early in October last. Since that time I have officiated here regularly on Sundays. I have also officiated on the principal holy days of the Church, and during the winter held a weekly lecture. I instruct a class of the young in the doctrines and duties of religion, and generally as often as every other Sunday, examine the children of the Sunday school in the catechism. I have also held an occasional third service on Sundays at Waterloo, when that church has not been supplied. This congregation has much increased in numbers during the year past, and there is reason to hope that the Divine blessing has not been wanting. A growing interest is taken in the services of the Church, and several appear to have been deeply impressed with a sense of their religious duties; some of whom have joined the communion. Until lately this parish was under heavy incumbrances, which is perhaps the reason why they have as yet contributed but little aid to the benevolent operations of the Church. The congregation is yet feeble, but I trust more will be done in future. It is intended to introduce the plan of systematic offerings for the ensuing year. The Sunday school, which I found in a languishing state, is now beginning to wear a more flourishing aspect.

From the report of the Rev. JOHN V. VAN INGEN, Missionary at Greene, Chenango county.

The missionary reports, that during the past year he has preached 168 times at Greene, and (on week days) in parts adjacent. At Coventry he has preached and instructed a Bible and catechetical class once in each week during half the year, and about three times in a month during the remainder of the year. The parish of Zion Church, Greene, has in the past year procured a bell; about one third of the cost of which was kindly contributed by individuals in New-York and Schenectady; and two thirds by the parishioners themselves. The system of monthly offerings has been pursued, and the collections reported below are chiefly the proceeds of these offerings. The Sunday school of which the missionary is superintendent, is taught on every Sunday morning from 9 to half past 10, and now numbers 80 scholars, 60 of whom attend regularly. There is a good library connected with the school.

Families parochially connected with the missionary 62; Baptisms (adults 5) 13; Confirmed 9; Communicants 50; Marriages 4; Burials 17.

Contributed by the parish, in addition to purchase of a bell:—

Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	\$1 00
Diocesan,	-	-	-	4 50
Education and Missionary,	-	-	-	16 00
Contributed directly to assist candidates in their studies,				
	-	-	-	20 00
Bible and Prayer Book,	-	-	-	2 00
Tract,	-	-	-	2 00
Professor of Pastoral Theology,	-	-	-	7 00
The Sunday School and other local objects,	-	-	-	53 50

\$106 00

From the report of the Rev. NATHANIEL WATKINS, Missionary at Pierrepont Manor, Jefferson county.

Baptisms (adults) 2; Confirmed 2; Marriage 1; Funerals 4; Communicants (added 6) present number 13. Sunday school, teachers 6, scholars 72, average attendance 29.

Collections:

Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	\$2 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	2 00
Diocesan Education and Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	40 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	-	-	12 00
Bible and Prayer Book,	-	-	-	15 00
Sunday School Union,	-	-	-	6 00

\$77 00

With much anxiety your missionary commenced his services in this parish the 9th of October last. In view of the numerical weakness of the parish, his prospect of success was but small; notwithstanding, he has abundant cause for gratitude to the great Head of the Church, that his hopes have been *more* than realized, in the number of devout and orderly attendants upon the public administration of the *word* and ordinances, and in the gracious influence of the Holy Spirit, which has apparently attended his ministry. I have great pleasure in being able to state, from indubitable evidence, that the distinctive peculiarities of the Church are gaining the ascendancy in the affections of the people of my charge; and I humbly trust, that true religion and virtue are increasing in the parish.

Besides performing the regular service twice every Sunday at the Manor, (with the exception of one when I preached at Port Ontario, at which place the prospect of success is highly pleasing,) I have commenced a (third)

monthly service in the village of Adams, five miles from this parish. The Methodists kindly offered me the use of their large meeting-house for the purpose, which I gratefully accepted. It has been filled each time to overflowing, with respectable and attentive hearers. I trust that some good has been done. We pledged \$30 for the Diocesan *Missionary Fund*, and you will perceive we have paid \$40, notwithstanding the pressure of the times. Yet, I must acknowledge, that the temporalities of the parish have been hitherto chiefly sustained by one *individual*.

From the report of the Rev. MARSHALL WHITING, Missionary at Onondaga Hill and Geddes, Onondaga county.

During the past year, up to the first of August, I divided my services between Jamesville and Onondaga Hill, holding one service at the latter place, and two at the former, on each Sunday.

On the first of August, I commenced preaching at Geddes, since which time I have officiated at each of the three places on Sundays.

During the year, I have preached occasionally in adjoining parishes.

St. Mark's Church, Jamesville.—Baptism (adult) 1; Funerals 6; Marriages 3; Communicants (removed 3, added 3) present number 29.

Collections :

Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	\$15 00
Education Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	4 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	2 37

Sunday school, from 20 to 25 scholars, and 4 or 5 teachers.

Zion Church, Onondaga Hill.—Baptisms (infants) 8; Funerals 5; Communicants (added 10, died 1) 34.

Collections :

Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	\$10 00
Education Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	2 90
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	2 10

Sunday school, recently organized, from 30 to 40 scholars, and 6 teachers.

Apostolic Church, Geddes.—Communicants 14.

Collections :

Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	\$5 87
Education Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	1 45

The Bishop has also received reports, according to the Canon, from the following clergymen of the Diocese, not having Parochial or Missionary charge :—

The Rev. David Brown.

The Rev. David Butler, D. D., residing in Troy.

The Rev. Kingston Goddard, Deacon.

The Rev. Frederick I. Goodwin, Acting Professor of the Latin Language and Literature in the University of the City of New York.

The Rev. Charles W. Hackley, Professor of Mathematics in the University of the City of New York.

The Rev. John B. Kerfoot, Deacon, Junior Principal of the Flushing Institute, instructing in the Latin and Greek Languages, Flushing, Queen's county.

The Rev. Nathaniel P. Knapp.

The Rev. John M'Vickar, D. D., Professor of Moral and Intellectual Philosophy and Political Economy in Columbia College, New York.

The Rev. Amos Pardee.

The Rev. Hewlett R. Peters.

The Rev. George S. Porter, residing at Fredonia, Chautauque county.

The Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., Professor of Moral Philosophy and Belles Lettres in Union College, Schenectady.

The Rev. Thomas C. Reed, Professor of Political Economy in Union College, Schenectady.

The Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D., Editor of the Gospel Messenger, Utica.

The Rev. Gilbert H. Sayres, residing at Jamaica, Queen's county.

The Rev. William Staunton, Special Agent of the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, New-York.

The Rev. James M. Tappen.

The Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D. D., Professor of Biblical Learning and the Interpretation of Scripture in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.

The Rev. John A. Vaughan, Secretary and General Agent of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.

The Rev. Gershom P. Waldo, Deacon.

The Rev. William M. Weber, M. D., residing at Peterborough, Madison county.

The other similarly situated clergy of the Diocese will allow me again to call their attention to the following clause of the first section of the 7th Canon of the General Convention of 1835 :—
“And every other clergyman, not regularly settled in any parish or church, shall also report to the ecclesiastical authority of his Diocese, the occasional services he may have performed ; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same.”

I would also again call the attention of the Diocese to the subject of the Parochial and Missionary reports required to be made to the Bishop “on or before the first day of every annual Convention.”

It is provided by Canon VII, section 1, of the General Convention of 1835, that such reports shall contain “a statement of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, and Funerals, and of the number of Communicants, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of” the “parish or church.”

Canon VII, section 2, of our Diocesan Convention of 1834, contains the further provision, that in the report of the communicants, there shall be distinguished “the additions, removals, and deaths, since the last report.”

The third section of the same Canon is as follows :—“In every case where a parish is destitute of a minister, the Register con-

templated by this Canon shall be kept by some person appointed by the Vestry for that purpose ; and the annual parochial reports shall be presented or forwarded to the Bishop by the Wardens of the parish."

Canons XIII and XV of this Diocese of the same year, also provide, that the amounts of the contributions required by them to be made, in every congregation, to the Episcopal Fund, and to each department of the Education and Missionary Society, be reported to the Convention, and entered on its Journal.

These requisitions of the Church are clear, and need no comment, nor, I trust, any other enforcement than a proper regard for her authority, and a proper sense of moral obligation.

In order, however, that the good end which she obviously has in view may be more fully answered, I request attention to the following points connected with the reports :—

1. That in the Baptisms, the respective numbers of adults and infants be distinguished.

2. That in the Confirmations, all belonging to the parish who have been confirmed within the year, whether in their own parish or not, be regularly reported. It is desirable that when a confirmation is not expected in one's own parish for some length of time, candidates properly prepared should avail themselves of an early opportunity in a neighboring one, and this should especially be the case where sickness or some other unavoidable cause has prevented an expected confirmation. By attention to this, the obviously proper rule of preceding communion by confirmation may, in a very great majority of cases, be observed. And as the instances of such confirmations, as well as appointed confirmations therein, are evidences of the state of a parish, they ought to be reported ; as, I am glad to say, has been the case in some instances.

3. That among the " matters that may throw light on the state of the parish," there be included the number of children instructed in the Catechism, and the frequency with which such instruction is given by the Pastor ; the number of attendants at Sunday schools, and of aids whom the pastor has in the conducting of such schools ; and the number of members of other classes, if any, formed for catechetical or other familiar instruction, in the doctrines and duties of revelation ; also, the frequency with which the service of the Church is celebrated on Holy Days, Litany Days, or other occasions, in addition to Sundays.

4. That besides the contributions required by the Canons to be reported, there be also included such as have been made for other religious and charitable objects connected with the Church.

5. That the various items of statistics be so arranged, in tabular or other distinct form, as to be easily distinguished from the body of the report, so as to facilitate the drawing up of a tabular view of the statistics of the whole Diocese, a work involving much difficulty, if the items are to be gleaned by the perusal of a full report, instead of being placed together and in prominent view, either at its commencement or its close.

Lastly, I ask the attention of the vacant parishes to the duty laid on their Vestries of appointing a suitable person to keep the parish register, and on the Wardens to present or forward the annual parochial report.

BENJ. T. ONDERDONK,
Bishop of the Diocese of New York.

APPENDIX.

NO. II.

THE SECOND EVENING PRAYER,

Appointed agreeably to the Canons, to be used in any congregation of this Diocese in which the order for Daily Evening Prayer has been previously used on the same day, is as follows :

The order for Daily Evening Prayer is followed to the end of the Psalms for the day, or selection of Psalms, and Doxology ; and then the following order :—

A *Lesson* from the Old or New Testament, at the discretion of the Minister.

Either of the four Psalms appointed to follow the Lessons at Evening Prayer.

The *Creed* and the following *Versicles and Responses*.

The Collect for the Day.

The Collect for aid against Perils.

The Prayer for the whole State of CHRIST'S Church Militant in the Communion Service.

Any of the *Occasional Prayers or Thanksgivings* as occasion may require.

One of the *Discretionary Prayers at the end of the Communion Service.*

2 *Corinthians*, xiii. 14.

APPENDIX.

NO. III.

PROCEEDINGS

NECESSARY TO THE ORGANIZATION OF NEW CHURCHES.

Reported by a Committee of the Convention in 1827.

By the Act to Provide for the Incorporation of Religious Societies, passed 5th April, 1813, and the Act amending the same, passed 5th March, 1819, it is competent for the male persons of full age belonging to any church, congregation, or religious society, to incorporate themselves, although such persons may not have belonged to the church, congregation, or society, for the last twelve months; in which last respect the latter Act is an amendment of the former.

The first step to be taken in order to an incorporation, is to give notice at morning service, on the two Sundays previous to the time which may be appointed for the election of Churchwardens and Vestrymen, of the intended election; which notice is to be given by the Rector, or if there be none, by any other person belonging to the congregation.

The congregation having met at the time and place appointed, the Rector, or if there be none, or he be necessarily absent, then such other person as may be called to the chair, shall preside at this first election; and two other persons should be nominated, to certify, with him, the proceedings of the meeting.

The meeting is then, by a majority of voices, to elect two Churchwardens and eight Vestrymen, and to determine on what day in Easter-week the functions of the persons then elected shall cease, and their successors shall be afterward annually chosen; together with the corporate name or title by which the church is to be known.

A certificate is then to be signed under the hand and seal of the Rector, or other person who shall preside at the election, and of two other persons nominated for that purpose, stating the names of the persons elected to the offices of Churchwardens and Vestrymen, and also the day in Easter-week appointed for the annual elections, and the corporate name or title of the church.

This certificate is to be acknowledged by the person signing it, or proved by one or more of the subscribing witnesses, before the Chancellor, or one of the Judges of the Supreme Court, or one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the county where the

church or congregation is established. It is then to be recorded in the County Clerk's office, in a book to be by him provided for the purpose.

It may be proper to add, that the qualifications to vote for Churchwardens and Vestrymen, required by the first section of the Act of 1813, will be requisite at all annual elections after the first ; that is, at such subsequent elections the voters must have belonged to the congregation for the preceding twelve months, and must have been baptized in the Protestant Episcopal Church, or must have been received therein by the rite of Confirmation, or by receiving the holy Communion, or by purchasing or hiring a pew or seat in the church, or by some joint act of the parties and of the Rector, whereby they shall have attached themselves to the Protestant Episcopal Church.

A form of the certificate of incorporation, and of the proof of its execution, is hereunto subjoined.

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY CONCERN: *We whose names and seals are hereunto affixed do certify, that in pursuance of notice duly given, according to law, for that purpose, at the time of Divine service, on the two Sunday mornings now last past, the male persons of full age belonging to the Church, Congregation, or Society, commonly called _____ Church, in the _____ of _____ ; in which Church, Congregation, or Society, Divine Service is celebrated according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York ; met at their place of worship in _____, for the purpose of incorporating themselves under the Act entitled "An Act to Provide for the Incorporation of Religious Societies," and the Act to amend the same. At which meeting, and by a majority of voices, the undersigned _____ being Rector of the said Church,† was called to the chair and presided, and the undersigned _____ were nominated to certify the proceedings of said meeting, in conjunction with said Rector,‡ and by a majority of voices, _____ were elected Churchwardens, _____ and _____ were elected Vestrymen, of said Church ; and _____, in the week called Easter-week, was, in like manner, fixed on as the day on which the said offices of Churchwardens and Vestrymen shall annually there-*

* Instead of the words "commonly called," &c., may be inserted the words *worshipping in*, [here name the town, village, street, building, or other particular designation.]

† The words "being Rector of the said Church," are to be omitted when the Rector does not preside at the meeting, and in place of them the name of the Chairman is to be inserted.

‡ When the Rector does not preside at the meeting, here omit the word "Rector," and insert the name of the Chairman.

after cease, and their successors in office be chosen; and the name or title of "The Rector, Churchwardens, and Vestrymen of Church, in the of," was in like manner fixed on and agreed to, as that by which the said Church, Congregation, or Society, shall be known in law. In testimony whereof, we, the said , together with the undersigned have hereunto subscribed our names, and affixed our seals, this day of , in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and

Signed and sealed in the presence of

On the day of , in the year of our Lord , before me of the Court of Common Pleas for the and county of , personally appeared one of the subscribing witnesses to the above instrument, who being duly sworn, did depose and say, that he was present and saw whose names and seals are affixed to the foregoing certificate, sign and seal the same; and that the deponent, together with did, in their presence, and at their request, subscribe the same as witnesses.

APPENDIX.

NO. IV.

DIRECTIONS

For persons desirous to become Candidates for Holy Orders, and for those desiring Ordination as Deacons and Priests.

DIRECTIONS FOR THOSE WISHING TO BECOME CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Can. IX.—sec. 1. A person wishing to become a candidate for Holy Orders must, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the ecclesiastical authority, or to the President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

Sec. 2. He is then to apply to the Standing Committee for their recommendation of him to the Bishop, to be admitted as a candidate for Orders. To enable the Committee to act, he must lay before them,—I. Evidence of his having made his intention known to the Bishop. II. A certificate to the following effect, unless the Standing Committee can certify the same facts of their own knowledge:

“ To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New York.

(Date.)

“ We, the subscribers, from a satisfactory knowledge of the character of A. B., do hereby testify our belief that he is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and a communicant of the same; and in our opinion, possesses such qualifications as will render him apt and meet to exercise the ministry to the glory of God and the edifying of the Church.”

✍ The above certificate should be signed by one presbyter, and at least four respectable laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of the above should have a personal acquaintance with the applicant; but they may act upon such knowledge of his character from other sources as is satisfactory to them.

III. (*Sec. 3.*) A satisfactory diploma; or a certificate from the instructor or instructors of some approved literary institution, which certificate must state what have been his studies, and the extent of his improvement in them; or a certificate from two presbyters, appointed by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to examine him of his possessing such academical learning as may enable him to enter advantageously on a course of Theology.—Or, (*Sec. 4.*) when the person applying to be admitted

a candidate wishes the knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, he must, instead of the above-mentioned diploma or certificate, lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial signed by at least two presbyters of the Church, stating that in their opinion he possesses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence; with proper evidence that the Bishop, with the consent of a majority of the clerical members of the Standing Committee, has granted such dispensation. The Canons provide that this dispensation shall not be granted to any person under 27 years of age, and that no person shall be ordained under such a dispensation until he shall have attained 30 years of age; but as to the Hebrew language, the power of dispensation rests with the Bishop alone, without reference to the age of the candidate. The Standing Committee may then sign a testimonial in behalf of the candidate, which he must produce to the Bishop, who (*Sec. 6.*) may thereon admit him as a candidate for Orders: in which station he must remain three years before his ordination, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the clerical members of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain him after the expiration of a shorter period, not less than one year.*

DIRECTIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS WISHING TO
BE ORDAINED DEACONS.

Canon XV.—(*Sec. 2.*) A candidate for Holy Orders wishing to be ordained a Deacon, must lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial in the following words:

“To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New York.

“We, whose names are hereunder written, do testify from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and

* The Canons contain also the following provisions, which, however, have no relation to the testimonials. (*Sec. 5.*) With this enumeration of qualifications, it ought to be made known to the candidate, that the Church expects of him—what can never be brought to the test of any outward standard—an inward fear and worship of ALMIGHTY GOD: a love of religion, and sensibility to its holy influence: a habit of devout affection: and in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in Scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone His sacred influence can be manifested.

(*Sec. 9.*) If a candidate shall not, within three years after his admission, apply for his first and second examinations, or within five years for his third and fourth examinations, he shall in either case cease to be a candidate.

(*Sec. 10.*) Any person desirous to become a candidate for Holy Orders, must apply to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he resides, unless they shall consent that the application be made in some other Diocese.

Candidates are not to change their canonical residence but for bona fide causes requiring the same, and to be judged of by the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority.

hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this — day of —, in the year of our Lord —.”

The above certificate is to be subscribed by the minister and vestry of the parish where the candidate resides, or by the vestry alone if the parish be vacant, (of which circumstance the Committee must be duly certified,) and must contain the names of at least a majority of all the wardens and vestrymen. The respective titles of the minister, wardens, and vestrymen must be attached to their signatures. If there is no vestry where the candidate resides, the circumstance must be certified to the Committee, and then the testimonial must be signed by at least twelve respectable persons of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of this testimonial should be personally acquainted with the candidate: they may act upon a satisfactory knowledge of his character from any other source.

The candidate must also lay before the Standing Committee a certificate in the following words:

“To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New-York.

“I do hereby testify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly: and hath not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons. This testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A. B., for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this — day of —, in the year of our Lord —.”

The above testimonial must be signed by at least one respectable presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. The Standing Committee may then sign the canonical recommendation to the Bishop for Orders; which the candidate is to exhibit to the Bishop.

DIRECTIONS FOR DEACONS WISHING TO BE ORDERED PRIESTS.

A Deacon wishing to be ordered a Priest, must lay before the Standing Committee the same testimonials, subscribed in the same way, as those required of him on his application for ordination as a Deacon; except (*Sec. 5.*) that they may be so altered as to extend to such portion only of the three years preceding his application for Priest's Orders as has elapsed since his ordination as Deacon; and except also, that if he be the minister of the

parish, the testimonial of piety, good morals, and orderly conduct shall be signed by the vestry alone. The Standing Committee may then give him the canonical recommendation for Orders, which he is to exhibit to the Bishop.

No person shall be ordained Priest, unless he shall produce to the Bishop a satisfactory certificate, from some church, parish, or congregation, that he is engaged with them, and that they will receive him as their minister; or unless he be a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he belongs; or in the employment of some missionary society recognized by the General Convention: or unless he be engaged as a professor, tutor, or instructor of youth, in some college, academy, or other seminary of learning duly incorporated.*

Candidates for ordination as Priests or Deacons, are referred to the following further provisions.

Canon XV.—(Sec. 3.) If the candidate, from peculiar circumstances not affecting his pious or moral character, shall be unable to procure testimonials from the ministry and vestry of the parish where he resides, testimonials to the effect required may be received from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and from at least one respectable presbyter who has been personally acquainted with the candidate for at least one year.

(Sec. 4.) A candidate recommended by the Standing Committee of any church destitute of a Bishop, if he shall have resided for the greater part of the last three years within the Diocese of a Bishop, shall apply to such Bishop for ordination, and shall produce the usual testimonials, as well from the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he has resided, as from the Committee of the Church in the Diocese for which he is to be ordained.

* For the case of one who has officiated as a minister of another denomination, see Canon III. of the General Convention of 1835.

APPENDIX.

No. V.

The committee appointed by the Convention of 1834, to inquire into the expediency of applying to the Legislature for an alteration of the several acts respecting the incorporation of churches of our communion, in pursuance of the instructions contained in the resolutions of the Convention of the 7th October, 1836, respectfully report, that all the amendments to the existing acts which the committee deem essential, are incorporated in the draft hereto annexed, and which, in obedience to one of the said resolutions, they have caused to be appended to the Journal of the last Convention.

P. G. STUYVESANT.
JAMES MILNOR.
HENRY ANTHON.
T. L. OGDEN.
WILLIAM JAY.

January 20, 1837.

[Published by a resolution of the Convention of 1836]

An Act further to amend the Act entitled an "Act to provide for the Incorporation of Religious Societies," in respect to Congregations of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

SECTION I. The first meeting for the purpose of its incorporation, of any congregation or religious society in which divine service shall be performed according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State, shall be held at the place in which such congregation shall usually assemble for worship. If there be no officiating minister, notice of the day, hour, and place of such meeting, may be given by any three or more of the congregation, being male persons of full age, by writing under their hands, to be conspicuously fixed on the outer door of such building, at least ten days previous to the time of meeting. At such meeting, all male persons of full age, belonging to the congregation and professing to belong to the said church, and none others, shall be entitled to vote in the election of churchwardens and vestrymen. After such first election, the stated annual elections shall be held, at the place in which the congregation shall usually assemble for worship, on the Tuesday of the week called Easter week, at noon. At such annual elections, none others shall be entitled to vote, than such male persons, being of full age and professing to belong to the said church, as shall for one year next preceding the election have belonged to the congregation

and by himself or some portion of his family, shall have occupied a pew or seat in the church edifice or building in which the congregation shall have usually worshipped, and shall have paid rent for such pew or seat, or have otherwise contributed to the support of the rector or minister, according to the rules and regulations of the vestry, provided that such payment or contribution shall not be deemed a necessary qualification, in respect to persons possessing the other qualifications above mentioned, who, being owners of any such pew or seat, shall not within such year have been required by any such rule or regulation to pay rent for the same, or to contribute toward the support of the rector or minister; and provided further, that no such rule or regulation shall affect the rights of voters at any such election, unless the same shall have been made at least six months previous thereto.

SECTION II. The certificate of incorporation referred to in the first section of the act hereby amended, shall contain the names of the churchwardens and vestrymen elected, and the corporate name or title by which the church or congregation is to be known in law; and such certificate may be acknowledged or proved before the Chancellor, a Judge of the Supreme Court or of any Circuit Court, a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the church edifice or place of worship shall be situate, or before a Commissioner of Deeds within such county; and as to churches within the city of New-York, shall be recorded in the Register's Office of the city and county of New-York.

SECTION III. Stated meetings of the vestry of every such church or congregation may be held, without previous notice, on the Tuesday next following the day of each annual election of churchwardens and vestrymen, and on such other days, and at such house or place, as shall be appointed by any by-law or standing regulation of the vestry.

Special meetings of the vestry may be called by the rector; and if there be no rector, by any three members of the vestry.

It shall be the duty of the rector, if there be one, to call special meetings on the written requisition of three members of the vestry; and in case of his neglect or omission so to do for two weeks after such requisition, or of his absence from the city or town in which the place of worship may be situate, for eight successive weeks, any three members of the vestry may call such special meetings. At any stated or special meeting of the vestry legally convened, a majority of all the members being present, it shall be competent to the Board to transact its business. If the rector be not present, one of the churchwardens to be chosen by a majority of the members present; and if no churchwarden be present, then any other member of the vestry, to be chosen in like manner, shall preside at such meeting and have the casting vote.

SECTION IV. Any religious society or congregation belonging to the Protestant Episcopal Church already incorporated, may, by writing under the hands and seals of the rector, if there be one, and a majority of the existing churchwardens and vestry-

men, or under the hands and seals of two-thirds of the churchwardens and vestrymen, without the rector, declare their election to become incorporated under the provisions of the several acts now in force in relation to the incorporation of religious societies, as such acts are hereby amended ; and such declaration having been proved or acknowledged, and recorded, as provided by the second section of this act, every such society or corporation shall thenceforth be considered as incorporated under such provisions, and subject thereto, and shall continue to enjoy all its corporate rights and privileges.

SECTION V. So much and such parts of the act hereby amended, and of any act amending the same, as may be inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

The above report was ordered by this Convention to be laid over until the next.

APPENDIX.

No. VI.

RULES OF ORDER.

I. At the opening of each Annual Convention, when the President shall have taken the chair, the Secretary shall call over the names of the clergy entitled to seats. The Lay Delegates shall then place their certificates on the Secretary's table; and whenever a constitutional quorum shall be found present, the President shall declare the Convention duly organized.

II. The first business shall be

The election of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an Assistant Secretary.

The appointment of four Standing Committees by the President—

1. On the Incorporation of Churches, one Clergyman and two Laymen.

2. On the Diocesan Fund, two Clergymen and two Laymen, with the Treasurer.

3. On the Treasurer's Report, three Laymen.

4. On the Theological Seminary, two Clergymen and three Laymen.

III. The daily order of proceedings, after the first day, shall be—

1. The Daily Morning Prayer.

2. Reading and approval of the Minutes.

3. Calling the names of absent members.

4. Reports to be called for in the following order:

Committee on Incorporation of Churches.

" " Diocesan Fund.

" " Treasurer's Report.

" " General Theological Seminary.

Trustees of Episcopal Fund.

Special Committees.

New-York City Mission Society.

New-York Education and Missionary Society.

5. Miscellaneous Business.

IV. The Bishop's Address shall be at any time in order.

V. When the report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read, and entered on the minutes, unless otherwise determined by the house. If accompanied with resolutions, the resolutions shall be separately considered.

VI. When a question is before the house, it shall be in order to postpone, divide, amend, or commit; and a motion for any one of these proceedings may be considered, precedence being taken in the order named.

VII. The votes by order, when called, shall be entered on the minutes; and they may be called, whenever desired by five members.

VIII. Before the rising of the Convention, the minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read and approved.

IX. The election of the Standing Committee and the Delegates to the General Convention, shall be the first business after the approval of the minutes, on the second day of meeting. Suitable boxes for balloting shall be provided by the Secretary.

X. On all questions of order, the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the house.

XI. The hours of each day's session shall be from 9, A. M., until 3, P. M.

XII. No member may speak more than twice on the same question, without leave of the house.

XIII. A question being decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

XIV. The question of adjournment shall always be in order, and shall be put without debate.

XV. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the Chair.

XVI. Clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention, clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and Professors and Students of Theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

APPENDIX.

NO. VII.

LIST OF CHURCHES IN THE DIOCESE OF NEW-YORK.

Albany county,	Albany,	St. Paul's.
		St. Peter's.
	Cohoes,	St. John's.
	Rensselaerville,	Trinity.
Allegany county,	West Troy,	Trinity.
	Angelica,	St. Paul's.
	Hunt's Hollow,	St. Mark's.
Broome county,	Binghamton,	Christ.
	Harpersville,	St. Luke's.
Cattaraugus county,	Ellicottville,	St. John's.
	Olean,	St. Stephen's.
Cayuga county,	Auburn,	St. Peter's.
	Aurora,	St. Paul's.
	Moravia,	St. Mathew's.
	Forestville,	St. Peter's.
Chautauque county,	Fredonia,	Trinity.
	Jamestown,	St. Luke's.
	Mayville,	St. Paul's.
	Westfield,	St. Peter's.
	Big Flats,	St. Paul's.
	Elmira,	Trinity.
Chemung county,	Jefferson,	St. James'.
	Johnson's Settlement,	St. John's.
	Bainbridge,	St. Peter's.
	Coventry,	Trinity.
	Fayetteville,	Christ.
	Greene,	Zion.
Chenango county,	Mount Upton,	Grace.
	New Berlin,	St. Andrew's.
	Norwich,	Emmanuel.
	Oxford;	St. Paul's.
	Sherburne,	Christ.
	Plattsburgh,	Trinity.
	Hudson,	Christ.
	Homer,	Calvary.
Clinton county,	Delhi,	St. John's.
Columbia county,	Hobart,	St. Peter's.
Cortland county,	Walton,	Christ.
Delaware county,	Fishkill,	Trinity.
Dutchess county,	Fishkill Landing,	St. Anna's.
	Hyde Park,	St. James'.
	Lithgow,	St. Peter's.
	Pleasant Valley,	St. Paul's.
	Poughkeepsie,	Christ.
		St. Paul's.
	Upper Red Hook,	St. Paul's.
	Wappinger's Creek,	Zion.

Erie county,	Auroraville, Black Rock, Buffalo,	St. Paul's. Grace. St. Paul's. Trinity.
Franklin county,	Malone,	St. Mark's.
Genesee county,	Batavia, Le Roy, Sheldon, Wethersfield,	St. James'. St. Mark's. St. John's. St. Clement's.
Greene county,	Athens, Cairo, Catskill, Greenville, Oak Hill, Windham,	Trinity. Calvary. St. Luke's. Christ. St. Paul's. Trinity.
Herkimer county,	Fairfield, Little Falls, Mohawk, Norway,	Trinity. Emmanuel. St. Luke's. Grace.
Jefferson county,	Brownville, Pierrepoint Manor, Sacket's Harbour, Watertown,	St. Paul's. Zion. Christ. Trinity.
King's county,	Brooklyn,	Christ. St. Ann's. St. John's. St. Mary's. St. Paul's. St. Peter's. Trinity. St. Paul's. St. John's. St. Mark's.
Lewis county,	Flatbush, Fort Hamilton, Williamsburgh, Turin,	St. Paul's, with St. Paul's Chapel, Constableville.
Livingston county,	Danville, Geneseo, Mount Morris, West Avon,	St. Peter's. St. Michael's. St. John's. Zion.
Madison county,	Hamilton, Perryville,	St. Thomas'. St. Stephen's.
Monroe county,	Penfield, Rochester,	Trinity. Grace. St. Luke's.
Montgomery county,	Johnstown, Port Jackson,	St. John's. St. Ann's.
New-York City and county,		All Saints'. Ascension. Calvary. Christ. Epiphany. Grace. Holy Evangelists. Messiah. Nativity. St. Andrew's.

New-York City and county,

St. Bartholomew's.
 St. Clement's.
 St. Esprit.
 St. George's.
 St. James'.
 St. Luke's.
 St. Mark's.
 St. Mary's.
 St. Michael's.
 St. Peter's.
 St. Philip's.
 St. Stephen's.
 St. Thomas'.
 St. Timothy's.
 Trinity, with St. Paul's
 and St. John's
 Chapels.

Niagara county,

Lewiston,
 Lockport,

Zion.
 St. Paul's.
 Christ.
 Grace.

Oneida county,

Holland Patent,
 New Hartford,
 Oriskany,
 Paris,
 Rome,
 Utica,

St. Paul's.
 St. Stephen's.
 St. Peter's.
 St. Paul's.
 Zion.

Onondaga county,

Fayetteville,
 Geddes,
 Jamesville,
 Manlius,
 Marcellus,
 Onondaga,

Trinity.
 Trinity.
 Apostolic.
 St. Mark's.
 Christ.
 St. John's.
 Zion.

Pompey,
 Skaneateles,
 Syracuse,
 Allen's Hill,
 Canandaigua,
 Centrefield,
 Geneva,

Christ.
 St. James'.
 St. Paul's.
 St. Paul's.
 St. John's.
 Trinity.

Ontario county,

Goshen,
 Newburgh,
 New Windsor,
 Walden,

Trinity.
 St. James'.
 St. George's.
 St. Thomas'.
 St. Andrew's.
 St. John's.

Orleans county,

Medina,
 Constantia,

Trinity.

Oswego county,

Fulton,
 Oswego,

Zion.

Otsego county,

Burlington Flats,
 Cooperstown,
 Exeter,
 Gilbertsville,
 Louisville,
 Monticello,
 Otego,
 Unadilla,

Christ.
 Christ.
 Christ.
 St. John's.
 Christ.
 Zion,
 St. Luke's.
 Immanuel.
 St. Matthew's.

Putnam county,	Patterson,	Christ.
	Phillipstown,	St. Philip's.
Queen's county,	Cold Spring Harbour,	St. John's.
	Flushing,	St. George's.
	Glen Cove,	St. Paul's.
	Hallett's Cove,	St. George's.
	Hempstead,	St. George's, with Trinity Chapel, Rockaway.
	Hempstead Harbour,	St. Mary's.
	Jamaica,	Grace.
	Little Neck,	Zion.
	Manhasset,	Christ.
	Newtown,	St. James'.
	Oyster Bay,	Christ.
Rensselaer county,	Lansingburgh,	Trinity.
	Troy,	Christ.
		St. John's.
		St. Paul's.
Richmond county,	Richmond,	St. Andrew's, with Trinity Chapel, Factoryville.
	Tompkinsville,	St. Paul's.
Saratoga county,	Ballston Spa,	Christ.
	Charlton,	St. Paul's.
	Mechanicsville,	St. Luke's.
	Milton,	St. James'.
	Saratoga Springs,	Bethesda.
	Stillwater,	St. John's.
	Waterford,	Grace.
	West Charlton,	St. Mary's.
Schenectady county,	Duanesburgh,	Christ.
	Schenectady,	St. George's.
Seneca county,	Seneca Falls,	Trinity.
	Waterloo,	St. Paul's.
Steuben county,	Bath,	St. Thomas'.
	Hammond's Port,	St. James'.
St. Lawrence county,	Canton,	Grace.
	Morristown,	Christ.
	Ogdensburgh,	St. John's.
	Potsdam,	Trinity.
	Waddington,	St. Paul's.
Suffolk county,	Huntington,	St. John's.
	Islip,	St. John's.
	Setauket,	Caroline.
Sullivan county,	Monticello,	St. John's.
Tioga county,	Candor,	St. Mark's.
	Richford,	St. John's.
Tompkins county,	Danby,	Christ.
	Hector,	Trinity.
	Ithaca,	St. John's.
	McLean,	Zion.
Ulster county,	Kingston,	St. John's.
	Marlborough,	Christ.
	Ulster,	Trinity.
Washington county,	Granville,	Trinity.
	Hampton,	Christ.
	Sandy Hill,	Zion.

Wayne county,	Palmyra,	Zion.
Westchester county,	Sodus,	St. John's.
	Bedford,	St. Matthew's.
	Eastchester,	St. Paul's.
	Greenburgh,	Zion.
	Mamaroneck,	St. Thomas'.
	New Rochelle,	Trinity.
	North Salem,	St. James'.
	Peekskill,	St. Peter's.
	Rye,	Christ.
	Sing Sing,	St. Paul's.
	Tarry Town,	Christ.
	Westchester,	St. Peter's.
	Whiteplains,	Grace.
	Yonkers,	St. John's with a Chapel at Tuckahoe.
Yates county,	Penn Yan,	St. Mark's.
		Total 252.

APPENDIX.

NO. VIII.

CHURCHES ADMITTED INTO UNION AT THIS CONVENTION.

Dutchess county,	Pleasant Valley,	St. Paul's.
Erie county,	Buffalo,	Trinity.
Genesee county,	Weathersfield,	St. Clement's.
Kings county,	Brooklyn,	St. Mary's.
	Williamsburgh,	St. Mark's.
New York City and County,		Messiah.
		St. Timothy's.
Niagara county,	Lockport,	Grace.
Queen's county,	Cold Spring Harbor,	St. John's.
"	Hallett's Cove,	St. George's.
"	Oyster Bay,	Christ.
Rensselaer county,	Troy,	Christ.
Ulster county,	Marlborough,	Christ.
Yates county,	Penn Yan,	St. Marks.—14.

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UTICA, AUGUST 22, 1838.

THIS being the day named by the Bishop of the Diocese for the meeting of a Special Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York, the Right Rev. Benjamin Tredwell Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, with a large number of the Clergy and Laity, assembled at 10 o'clock, A. M., in Trinity Church, in the city of Utica.

Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Horatio Potter, D. D., assisted by the Rev. Isaac Peck, who read the Lessons; and the Sermon was preached by the Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D. The Bishop then administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, in which he was assisted by the Rev. Drs. Rudd and Berrian, and the Rev. Mr. Proal.

The Convention was then called to order by the Bishop, and on motion, it was

Resolved, That the Convention adjourn until 4 o'clock this afternoon for the purpose of organizing.

4 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Convention met. The Secretary proceeded, under the Bishop's direction, to call the names of such of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York, as by the Constitution are entitled to seats in the Convention; when the following gentlemen answered to their names, and took their seats as members, viz:

Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., the Rev. Charles G. Acly, William Allanson, Henry S. Attwater, Deodatus Babcock, William Baker, Amos G. Baldwin, William Barlow, Liberty A. Barrows, Lewis P. Bayard, D. D., Amos B. Beach, Seth W. Beardsley, William Berrian, D. D., James A. Bolles, William W. Bostwick, Johnson A. Brayton, John Brown, Nathan B. Burgess, Robert Campbell, William M. Carmichael, Joseph T. Clark, Orange Clark, D. D., Richard Cox, William Creighton, D. D., Samuel C. Davis, George Dennison, Manton Eastburn, D. D., William Eigenbrodt, George B. Engle, Alexander Fraser, Samuel Fuller, John B. Gallagher, John M. Garfield, Isaac Garvin, Henry Gregory, David Griffith, Charles W Hackley, Benjamin I. Haight, Benjamin Hale, D. D., Cicero S. Hawks, Francis L.

Hawks, D. D., Humphrey Hollis, Reuben Hubbard, John Hughes, Aaron Humphrey, Pierre P. Irving, William L. Johnson, Lot Jones, Thomas S. Judd, Bethel Judd, D. D., James Keeler, Thomas Lyell, D. D., John McCarty, Stephen McHugh, John McVickar, D. D., Thomas Mallaby, Edward N. Mead, Kendrick Metcalf, James Milnor, D. D., Rufus Murray, Isaac Pardee, Erastus Spalding, Henry Peck, Isaac Peck, Marcus A. Perry, Horatio Potter, D. D., Jesse Pound, William Powell, Augustus P. Prevost, Joseph H. Price, Pierre A. Proal, Joseph Ransom, Ferdinand Rogers, Seth S. Rogers, Thomas J. Ruger, William Shelton, D. D., Reuben Sherwood, Hugh Smith, Lucius Smith, Orsamus H. Smith, Richard Smith, Erastus Spalding, Henry L. Storrs, Isaac Swart, Thomas H. Taylor, D. D., Anthony Ten Broeck, Foster Thayer, Thomas Towell, Amos C. Treadway, Henry Tullidge, John V. Van Ingen, Robert B. Van Kleeck, Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D., William F. Walker, William H. Walter, William M. Weber, M. D., Nathaniel Watkins, Russell Wheeler, Phineas L. Whipple, Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., Marshall Whiting, William R. Whittingham, D. D., Gordon Winslow.

The Churches of the Diocese were then called in order, when the following gentlemen appeared as Lay Delegates, and took their seats, viz :

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Albany,	St. Peter's, Albany,	Daniel D. Barnard.
	Trinity, Rensselaerville,	James Stevenson.
Broome,	St. Luke's, Harpersville,	George Bellamy.
Cayuga,	St. Peter's, Auburn,	Linus Allen.
		William H. Seward.
		S. A. Goodwin.
Chemung,	Trinity, Elmira,	Warren T. Worden.
Chenango,	St. Peter's, Bainbridge,	Samuel H. Maxwell.
	Christ, Fayetteville,	R. W. Juliand.
	Zion, Greene,	Daniel T. Dickinson.
	St. Andrew's, New Berlin,	Joseph Juliand.
		Augustus C. Welch.
		Noah Ely.
	Lmanuel, Norwich,	David Griffing.
	St. Paul's, Oxford,	Benjamin Butler.
Cortland,	Calvary, Homer,	A. F. Dodge.
		M. B. Butterfield.
Delaware,	St. John's, Delhi,	Erastus Root.
		Amasa Parker.
	Christ, Walton,	Amos N. Wheeler.
Dutchess,	St. James', Hyde Park,	Augustus Cowman.
Erie,	St. Paul's, Buffalo,	George B. Webster.
Genesee,	St. James', Batavia,	William Seaver.
	St. Mark's, Le Roy,	Elisha Stanley, Jr.
	St. Clement's, Wethersfield,	Reuben Doolittle, Jr.
Herkimer,	Trinity, Fairfield,	Charles Willard.
		Silas S. Evans.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
	Emanuel, Little Falls,	N. S. Benton. George H. Feater. William Brooks. Isaac Corp.
Jefferson,	Grace, Norway, St. Paul's, Brownsville, Zion, Pierrepont Manor, Christ, Sacket's Harbor, Trinity, Watertown,	Edmund Kirby. William C. Pierrepont. William Tryon. Peleg Burchard.
Kings,	Christ, Brooklyn, St. Ann's, do.	Richard M. White. Thomas T. Chew. F. T. Peet.
Livingston,	St. John's, Mount Morris,	Stephen Somers.
Madison,	St. Thomas', Hamilton, St. Stephen's, Perryville,	Ferdinand Walker. Thomas J. Whiting.
Monroe,	Grace, Rochester, St. Luke's, do.	William W. Mumford. Vincent Matthews. William Pitkin, E. Darwin Smith.
Fulton,	St. John's, Johnstown,	Tobias A. Stoutenburg.
New-York,	All Saints, New-York, Christ, do. Grace, do. St. Bartholomew's, do. St. George's, do. St. Luke's, do. St. Mark's, do. St. Michael's, do. St. Peter's, do. St. Stephen's, do. St. Thomas', do. Trinity, do. Zion, do.	Thomas S. Underhill. Elisha L. Walton. William M. Price. Robert Ray. Samuel Jones. John Stearns, M. D. B. L. Woolley, William Whitlock. C. N. S. Rowland. Gerardus Clark. James F. De Peyster. Charles Keeler. Daniel Mersereau. David Hadden. William H. Jephson. William H. Harison. John D. Wolf. John A. Graff.
Oneida,	St. Paul's, Holland Patent, St. Stephen's, NewHartford,	Pascal C. I. De Angelis. James Wetmore. William H. Willard. Zedekiah Sanger.
	St. Peter's, Oriskany,	Moses T. Egglestone. Thomas Briggs. John Barber.
	St. Paul's, Paris,	Charles Greene. John Wharram. Robert Lindsley. Uri Doolittle. Isaac Scovill. Eben Matthews.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates</i>
	Trinity, Utica,	Thomas H. Hubbard. Chester Griswold. Ward Hunt. Elisha Wells.
Onondaga,	Trinity, Fayetteville,	Michael B. Hutchins.
	Apostolic, Geddes,	A. T. Gilmore.
	Christ, Manlius,	E. W. Curtia. William Taylor. Robert Gilmore. Ansel Lull. Joseph Smith. Joshua V. H. Clark. Elijah G. May. Jonas Earll, Jr. Charles Hessey.
	Zion, Onondaga,	Isaac V. N. Hibbard.
	Christ, Pompey,	William A. Cook.
	St. Paul's, Syracuse,	Charles B. Hargin.
Ontario,	St. John's, Canandaigua,	John C. Spencer:
	Trinity, Geneva.	James Reese. David Hudson. William S. De Zeng. John G. Swift.
Orange,	St. James, Goshen,	John J. Smith.
	St. George's, Newburgh,	Julius Hale.
	St. Thomas', New Windsor,	David W. Gridley.
Oswego,	Trinity, Constantia,	Charles Ludlow.
	Zion, Fulton,	Nicholas I. Roosevelt.
	Christ, Oswego,	Albert Holmes, James Cochran, George Deming.
Otsego,	Christ, Cooperstown,	Charles S. Phelps, J. Fenimore Cooper, E. D. Richardson, John C. Morris.
	Christ, Gilbertsville,	Amos Palmer, Henry L. Noble.
	Zion, Louisville,	John I. Pendergast.
Queens,	St. Luke's, Monticello,	John A. King.
Rensselaer,	Grace, Jamaica,	John Holme.
	Trinity, Lausingsburgh,	Elias Lasell.
	Christ, Troy,	John H. Willard.
	St. John's, do.	Stephen Warren.
	St. Paul's, do.	Jonas C. Heartt.
Richmond,	St. Paul's, Tompkinsville,	C. T. Ward. Thomas Hassard. James Boardman.
Schenectady,	St. George's, Schenectady,	Thomas Palmer. John I. De Graffe.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Schenectady,	St. George's, Schenectady,	Horatio N. Walton.
Seneca,	Trinity, Seneca Falls,	Senter M. Geddings.
	St. Paul's, Waterloo,	Anthony Dey.
		John Watkins.
		Samuel Birdsall.
		Jesse Clark.
Steuben,	St. Thomas', Bath,	Elisha Hempsted.
St. Lawrence,	Grace, Canton,	Richard N. Harrison.
Tioga,	St. Mark's, Candor,	Nathaniel L. Sacket.
Tompkins,	Christ, Marlborough,	David Edward Fowler.
Wayne,	St. John's, Sodus,	Elias R. Cook.
Westchester,	Zion, Greenburgh,	Joseph A. Constant.
	St. Paul's, Sing Sing,	William H. Brewster.
	Christ, Tarry Town,	Nathaniel B. Holmes.
	St. Peter's, Westchester,	Benjamin McVickar.

The following documents, referring to the call of the Convention were then, by the order of the Bishop, read by the Secretary :—

To the Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D.,

Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of New-York.

REV. AND DEAR SIR—You are aware that at the last Convention of this Diocese, the following resolutions were past, namely :

“ *Resolved*, That it is expedient that this Diocese be divided into two Dioceses, and that the necessary measures be taken preparatory to such a division, in order that it be accomplished as soon as the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention will admit thereof.

“ *Resolved*, That in order to carry into effect the foregoing resolution, the Bishop be respectfully requested to call a special Convention of this Diocese, at such time as will enable the Diocese to bring the subject, fully matured, before the next General Convention, for the consummation of the proposed division.

“ *Resolved*, That a Committee of seven clergymen and six laymen be appointed to confer with the Bishop, and designate the boundary line between the two Dioceses into which it is proposed to divide this, and to report the same to the said Special Convention.”

The request of the Convention appears to me reasonable and proper, and one to which the interests of the Church require that I should accede. You will, therefore, have the goodness to give notice, in the usual way, to the clergy and parishes of the Diocese, that a Special Convention of the Diocese, for the purposes specified in the above resolutions, and for the transaction of such other business appertaining to Diocesan Conventions, as it may choose, will be held in Trinity Church, in the city of Utica, on Wednesday the twenty-second day of August next, at 10 o'clock in the morning.

Yours, very truly,

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK,
Bishop of the Diocese of New-York.

New-York, May 4, 1838.

Whereas in the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York, held in October, 1837, certain resolutions touching the division of the Diocese of New-York were adopted; and whereas the Bishop of said Church has been requested, by a resolution of the same Convention, to call a Special Convention “ at such time as will enable the Dio-

cess to bring the subject, fully matured, before the next General Convention," and has seen fit to accede to such request as reasonable and proper. Notice is hereby given to the clergy and parishes of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York, that a special Convention of the Diocese for the purposes specified in the resolutions of 1837, above referred to, and for the transaction of such other business appertaining to Diocesan Conventions, as it may see fit to perform, will be held in Trinity Church, in the city of Utica, on Wednesday, the 22d day of August next, at 10 o'clock in the morning.

By order of the Bishop,

FRANCIS L. HAWES,
Secretary of Convention.

May 21, 1838.

On motion, the Chair appointed the following gentlemen a Committee to prepare and report Rules of Order, and an Order of Business, for this Convention; viz., Mr. John C. Spencer, Rev. Dr. Taylor, and Mr. Wm. H. Seward.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, *Resolved*,

That clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention, clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and Professors and Students of Theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Taylor gave notice, that to-morrow he should move the adoption of a Canon, entitled, "Respecting Missionaries," which was read, and on motion, ordered to be printed and referred to a Committee of three clergymen and three laymen, viz., Rev. Drs. Taylor and Shelton, the Rev Mr. Murray, and Messrs. John C. Spencer, David Hudson; and Stephen Warren.

The Special Committee appointed at the last Convention on the subject of the Boundary Line between the proposed Dioceses, were then called on for their report, which was presented, read, and ordered to be printed:—

REPORT.

The Committee appointed at the last Annual Convention of this Diocese, "to confer with the Bishop, and designate the boundary line between the two Dioceses, into which it is proposed to divide this, and to report the same to this Special Convention, respectfully report:

That after a very full and deliberate consideration of the subject, they have unanimously agreed to recommend to this Convention the following as the boundary line between the two proposed Dioceses, and that upon a conference with the Bishop, he concurs in recommending the same line, viz. The line formed by the present eastern boundary lines of the counties of Broome, Chenango, Madison, Oneida and Lewis, and the northeasterly line of the county of Jefferson, as the said lines of those counties are now established by law. That in arriving at this conclusion, the Committee have been influenced by the following facts and considerations:

1. This is the line which most equally divides the population and area of the whole state, without dividing any county. The whole population of the state, by the census of 1835, was 2,174,517; of which 1,016,245, by the proposed line, would fall to the western portion, and 1,158,273, would fall to the eastern portion, making a difference of 142,028 only in favor of the eastern portion.

The whole superficial area of the state is 43,214 square miles, of which

21,750; would fall within the eastern portion, and 21,463; within the western part, making a difference of 287 square miles in favor of the eastern portion.

2. The above line makes the western portion compact and regular in its form, and of very easy communication for the meeting of Conventions, and the visitations of the Bishop, while it leaves the eastern portion as compact and accessible as any other line could. The western portion would be in the form of a parallelogram, about 200 miles in length and 80 miles in breadth. The facilities of communication, by means of canals, rail-roads, already authorized, and most of them commenced, and cross roads, are such, that very few persons would require more than a day to travel from the remotest part to the centre.

3. It brings in immediate connexion with the churches in the city of New-York, and on the Hudson river, the northern portion of the state, which, if it does not at present, will hereafter require more missionary aid than any other part.

There are at present about fifty missionary stations, in what would be the western portion, and about thirty five in what would be the eastern portion; of these, four are in the county of Herkimer, six in the county of Saratoga, three in St. Lawrence, three in Washington, and the residue in other counties. It is hoped and believed that the soil, character of the inhabitants, and increasing population of the western portion, will, in the course of a very few years, enable it to sustain its own missionary stations, while the same favorable circumstances do not exist in relation to the northern counties.

4. In reference to the same circumstances, the proposed line would divide the organized congregations and churches of our denomination, and the resident clergy, more equally in respect to the probable increase of the Episcopal Church, than any other line that has occurred to us. The whole number of churches and organized congregations in the state, according to the journal of the Convention of 1837, is 232, of which 142 would be east of the proposed line, and 90 west of it; of the clergy who are entitled to seats in this Convention, there would be about 127 in the eastern portion, and 66 in the western. The past history of the Church in western New-York, affords just and safe grounds for anticipating that the largest accessions are to be made in that quarter. At all events, no line has occurred to the Committee, and it is believed none can be suggested, that will more equally divide the churches and congregations, without running it to the North River.

It is to be expected that those residing in what would become border counties, by the proposed line, would prefer some other; but as there must be some frontier counties, whatever line is adopted, it seemed to the Committee that one should be selected in reference rather to general results than local convenience.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

The last Annual Convention of this Diocese having determined "that it is expedient that this Diocese be divided into two Dioceses,"

Resolved, That the line formed by the present eastern boundary lines of the counties of Broome, Chenango, Madison, Oneida and Lewis, and the north-easterly line of the county of Jefferson, as the said lines of those counties are now established by law, be the boundary line between the said Dioceses.

By order of the Committee,

P. A. FROAL, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Convention adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 9 O'CLOCK, A. M.

Convention met. Morning prayers were read by Rev. Mr. Metcalf, after which the Bishop took the Chair.

At the calling of the Roll the following clergymen, not present yesterday, answered to their names, viz., Rev. John Bayley,

Ebenezer H. Cressy, William Lucas, Timothy Minor, and Lewis Thibou. Also the following Lay Delegates :—

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Westchester, do	St. Paul's, Sing Sing, Zion, Greenburg,	William H. Brewster. Washington Irving.

Mr. James W. Oppie, a Delegate from Trinity Church, Fishkill, Dutchess County, presented his certificate, and took his seat.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. S. Benton offered the following Resolution, which, at his request, was laid on the table :—

Resolved, That those Churches in this State, not already in union with this Convention, whose certificates of incorporation have been presented or may now be presented to this Convention, and whose incorporation has been duly approved by the Bishop, under the fourth canon, be admitted into union with this Convention, and that the delegates present from such Churches be admitted to sit and vote in this Convention.

The Committee on Rules of Order being called on, made the following report :—

The Committee appointed to report rules of order for the government of this special Convention, respectfully report, that the Rules of Order of the last Annual Convention be amended in the following particulars :

1. That the VIth of the said Rules be abrogated, and that the following be substituted in lieu thereof :

VI. When a question is before the Convention, it shall be in order to move to lay it on the table, to postpone it, to divide it, to amend, or to commit it; and motions for either of those purposes shall have precedence in the order above named. A motion to lay on the table shall be decided without debate.

2d. That the XIIIth of the said Rules be amended by adding thereto the following : " Nor without the motion for that purpose being made by a member who voted in favor of the division."

3d. That the following be added as a Rule, to be inserted after the XIIIth :

The previous question may be demanded by any member, and shall be determined without debate ; and, if carried, shall preclude all debate of the main question, and shall cut off all amendments of it, not then adopted.

4th. That so much of the said Rules as requires the appointment of standing committees by the Bishop, and as requires the Bishop to call for reports from any committee or body, except reports from special committees, be deemed inapplicable to this Convention.

5th. That a Special Committee on the admission of churches, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen, be appointed, to whom shall be referred all applications for the admission of churches.

Although the Committee are of opinion, that, as a general principle, the admission of churches ought to be referred to the Annual Convention ; yet, as applications have been presented by the Bishop, and it is probable delegates are in attendance from the churches soliciting admission, they are disposed to recommend that their applications be now considered.

6th. That no other business than that specially designated in the notice calling this Convention, or connected with it, or than such as is already before the Convention, or than such as relates to the admission of churches, shall be considered, until the said special business is disposed of, without the unanimous consent of the Convention.

7th. That with the foregoing alterations, the Rules of Order in force at the last Annual Convention, be the Rules of Order of this Special Convention.

By order of the Committee,
J. C. SPENCER, *Chairman*.

On motion, the rules being read severally, were adopted.

On motion of Mr. John C. Spencer, *Resolved*,

That during the Session the house will take a recess from one to three o'clock.

The Chair appointed the following gentlemen as the Committee on the Incorporation of Churches, viz., Mr. John C. Spencer, Rev. Mr. McCarty and Hon. Samuel Jones.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Committee have leave to retire and sit during the session of the house.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Taylor, the Rule of Order in reference to the Order of Business was suspended; whereupon, on motion of Rev. Dr. Hawks, it was *Resolved*,

That it be referred to the Bishop and Delegates to the next General Convention, to ascertain the precise number of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary to which this diocese is entitled, and from the names reported at the Annual Convention in October last, by the Committee on the Theological Seminary, to select as many as this diocese may be entitled to, clerical and lay; said selection to be made from the names in the order in which they stand, reference being had to the proportion as now existing on said list.

The Secretary presented a letter from Mr. John Pintard, declining his nomination as a Trustee of the General Theological Seminary, which, on motion, was referred to the Bishop and the Delegation to the General Convention.

The attention of the house was then called to the proposed alteration in the Calendar as sent down from the General Convention; whereupon, on motion of Rev. Dr. Hawks, it was *Resolved*,

That the said alteration be approved, and that the Secretary transmit notice of the same to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The Committee on the Incorporation of Churches made the following report:—

The Special Committee to whom were referred the applications of certain churches for admission, report, that on examining the certificates referred to them, they find the following churches to have been duly incorporated according to law, viz.:

The Church of the Annunciation in the city of New-York.

Grace Church, Baldwinsville, Onondaga county.

St. John's Church, Phelps, Ontario county.

St. Luke's Church, Lisbon, St. Lawrence county.

Grace Church, Utica, Oneida county.

St. Paul's Church, Owego, Tioga county.

And that the certificates of the other churches are defective.

J. C. SPENCER, *Chairman*.

Whereupon, on motion, the above mentioned Churches were

received into union with this Convention ; and the Rev. Dr. Seabury, Rector of the Church of the Annunciation in the city of New-York, took his seat. The following gentlemen of the laity also appeared as delegates :—

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
New-York, Oneida,	Annunciation, Grace, Utica,	Cornellus Oakley. John E. Hinman. Peleg B. Peckham. Ziba Lyon. James W. Williams.
Tioga,	St. Paul's, Owego,	Frederick Leach.

The Committee on the Proposed Canon presented the following report :—

The Committee to whom was referred the " Proposed Canon respecting Missionaries," respectfully Report, That they have had the same under consideration, and inasmuch as they find that the " Education and Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York," has, by the Xth Article of its Constitution, surrendered all of its funds for Missionary purposes to the control of " the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State ;" and inasmuch as they find that the Convention of the Church has, by different acts of legislation in years past, recognised the right and obligation of regulating the appropriation of such funds ; and inasmuch as the absolute necessity of some action on the part of this Convention in reference to these funds, in anticipation of a division of the Diocese, happen when it may, must be apparent to every mind, therefore your Committee unanimously concur in recommending the adoption of the proposed Canon, with the single alteration in the second line of the fourth clause, by inserting the words, " or when the Convention of either Diocese shall so determine."

Signed by order of Committee,
THOS. HOUSE TAYLOR, *Chairman.*

PROPOSED CANON RESPECTING MISSIONARIES.

No division or alteration of this Diocese shall in any manner affect the Missionary operations now carried on therein, except as in hereafter provided ; but the present Missionary stations shall be continued, and the present Missionaries shall remain and receive the stipends now allowed them, until the Missionary Board of the Diocese in which they are located, shall otherwise direct—the Missionaries remaining, however, subject to the Episcopal jurisdiction provided by the General Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America.

And whenever a division of this Diocese shall take effect, the Conventions of each of the Dioceses shall appoint a Missionary Board, which shall have the appointment and direction of the Missionaries therein, and which Missionary Boards may be authorized by their respective Conventions, to co-operate jointly in Missionary operations in the State of New-York, under such regulations as they may adopt, with the sanction of the Bishops of the respective Dioceses, or of the Standing Committee of either Diocese, during a vacancy in the episcopate thereof.

And the funds which are or may be in the control of the Education and Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York, for Missionary purposes, and the annual contributions in aid of the Missionary fund, required by the 15th Canon of this Diocese ; and any donations or contributions for Diocesan Missionary purposes generally, shall be appropriated and applied within the two Dioceses, under the direction of the

said Missionary Boards, while acting jointly; and meetings of the said Missionary Boards shall be held in the city of New-York, unless when otherwise directed by them.

And when the said Boards shall determine that it is expedient that they should act separately and independently in their respective Dioceses, or when the Convention of either Diocese shall so determine, the Missionary funds under the control of the said Society shall be applied to the Missionaries in the respective Dioceses, under the direction of the respective Boards in each Diocese, in such proportions as the said Boards shall have prescribed; or an equitable and fair division of the principal of the said fund shall be made by the said Missionary Boards; or in case of their disagreement, then by three umpires, Bishops of the Church, to be chosen by the said Boards.

The Rev. Dr. M'Vickar offered the following Amendment, which was lost.

"In case of a division of this diocese, all Missionary funds now or at that time under the control of this Convention, whether permanent or temporary, shall be divided in the same proportion as now or then apportioned, and the same shall be paid over to the official order of the Conventions of such dioceses."

The report of the Committee on the Boundary Line, &c., was then called up, and, on motion, made the order of the day for this afternoon.

The house then took a recess until 3 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Convention met. The subject of the Proposed Canon being before the house, the Rev. Lucius Smith moved to postpone the further consideration of the same.

On motion of Mr. John C. Spencer, *Resolved*, That this resolution be laid on the table.

The question was then taken on the Proposed Canon, and on counting the votes it was declared by the Chair that the Canon was adopted, two thirds of the vote of both orders having concurred therein.

CLERGY. *Aye*—Acly, Allanson, Attwater, Babcock, Baker, Baldwin, Barlow, Barrows, Bolles, Bostwick, Brayton, Brown, J., Clark, J. T., Clark, O., Cox, Cressy, Davis, S. C., Dennison, Eastburn, Eigenbrodt, Engle, Fraser, Gallagher, Garfield, Garven, Gregory, Griffith, Hackley, Haight, Hale, Hawks, F. L., Hubbard, Humphrey, Irving, Jones, Judd, T. S., Lucas, M'Carty, Mallaby, Milnor, Murray, Pardee, Potter, H., Pound, Prevost, Proal, Ransom, Rogers, F., Ruger, Shelton, W., Smith, H., Smith, R., Spalding, Taylor, Thayer, Thibou, Van Ingen, Van Kleeck, Wainwright, Walker, Weber, Watkins, Wheeler, Whipple, Whitehouse, Whiting, Whittingham.

No.—Bayard, Bayley, Beach, Beardsley, Berrian, Burgess, Campbell, Carmichael, Creighton, Fuller, Hawks, C. S., Hollis, Hughes, Johnson, W. L., Judd, C., Keeler, Lyell, M'Hugh, M'Vickar, Mead, Metcalf, Peck, H., Peck, L., Price, Rogers, S. S., Seabury, S., Sherwood, Smith, L., Smith, O. H., Storrs,

Swart, Ten Broeck, Towell, Treadway, Tullledge, Walter, Winslow.

LAITY. *Aye*—St. Peter's, Albany; Trinity, Rensselaerville; St. Peter's, Auburn; St. Peter's, Bainbridge; Zion, Greene; Emanuel, Norwich; Calvary, Homer; St. John's, Delhi; Christ, Walton; St. James', Batavia; St. Mark's, Le Roy; St. Clement's, Wethersfield; Trinity, Fairfield; Grace, Norway; Zion, Pierrepont Manor; Christ, Sacket's Harbor; Trinity, Watertown; Christ, Brooklyn; St. Ann's, Brooklyn; St. John's, Mt. Morris; St. Thomas', Hamilton; St. Stephen's, Perryville; Grace, Rochester; St. Luke's, Rochester; All Saints', New-York; Grace, N. Y.; St. George's, N. Y.; St. Mark's, N. Y.; St. Michael's, N. Y.; St. Peter's, N. Y.; St. Stephen's, N. Y.; St. Thomas', N. Y.; Trinity, N. Y., (3); Zion, N. Y.; Trinity, Fayetteville; Apostolic, Geddes; Christ, Manlius; Zion, Onondaga; Christ, Pompey; St. Paul's, Syracuse; St. John's, Canandaigua; Trinity, Geneva; St. James', Goshen; St. George's, Newburgh; St. Thomas', New Windsor; Trinity, Constantia; Zion, Fulton; Christ, Oswego; Christ, Cooperstown; Christ, Gilbertsville; Zion, Louisville; Grace, Jamaica; Trinity, Lansinburgh; Christ, Troy; St. John's, Troy; St. Paul's, Troy; St. Paul's, Tompkinsville; St. George's Schenectady; Trinity, Seneca Falls; St. Paul's, Waterloo; St. Thomas', Bath; Grace, Canton; Christ, Marlborough; St. John's, Sodus.

No—St. Luke's, Harpersville; Trinity, Elmira; Christ, Fayetteville; St. Andrew's, New Berlin; St. James', Hyde Park; St. Paul's, Buffalo; Emanuel, Little Falls; St. Paul's, Brownville; St. John's, Johnstown; Annunciation, N. Y.; St. Bartholomew's, New-York; St. Luke's, N. Y.; St. Paul's, Holland Patent; St. Stephen's, New Hartford; St. Peter's, Oriskany; St. Paul's, Paris; Grace, Utica; Trinity, Utica; St. Luke's, Monticello; St. Mark's, Candor; St. Paul's, Owego; Zion, Greenburgh; St. Paul's, Sing Sing; Christ, Tarrytown; St. Peter's, Westchester.

A resolution was then made and seconded to re-consider the foregoing vote, which, on motion, was laid on the table.

The Rev. Lucius Smith gave notice of his intention to introduce a resolution rescinding the resolution of the last Diocesan Convention, upon the expediency of dividing the Diocese.

The order of the day being called up, on motion of Mr. C. Griswold, *Resolved*, That the order of the day be suspended, to make room for the introduction of the resolution proposed by the Rev. Mr. Smith. Mr. Smith accordingly offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the resolution of the last Diocesan Convention, to wit:—That it is expedient that this Diocese be divided into two dioceses, and that the necessary measures be taken preparatory to such a division, in order that it be accomplished as

soon as the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention shall admit thereof, be rescinded.

Whereupon the House took a recess until 7 o'clock.

7 o'clock, P. M.

The Bishop, on taking the chair, delivered the following

ADDRESS.

My Brethren of the Clergy and Laity—

You have now arrived at a stage of your business which gives your Bishop the most unfeigned solicitude and concern. These are not connected with the *result* of this renewed discussion of the great question before you, so much as with the discussion itself. Touching the result, it is well known to you that I have been uniformly governed by full and affectionate reliance on the judgment of the Diocese, looking forward to its decision, be it what it may, as entitled to the cheerful concurrence and co-operation of all who may be affected by it. I confess, however, that I am filled with deep solicitude when I see you on the eve of the discussion of a question of so great interest, on which there is such honestly, conscientiously, and warmly cherished difference of opinion, and in the details of which there may arise so many points of difficult adjustment.

Mistake me not, Brethren. I have not a moment's doubt; I have already heard and read too much that has given me the most grateful and cheering confidence in the Christian feeling of the Diocese on this absorbing topic, to allow me to doubt, of your serious determination to enter on this question, and to discuss it, as Christian men engaged in the cause of God, of His holy Church, and of His precious Gospel. I trust, however, that I shall be pardoned for adding to the expression of the devout pleasure which I have thence derived, my affectionate hope, and my heart's desire and prayer to God, that you will keep this determination steadily in mind, nor suffer yourselves to be for a moment turned from it. Let this great question be discussed and decided in the fear of God with a single eye to His glory, and the spiritual and eternal good of His people, and under the constant operation of the Christian spirit towards each other, of love, kindness, perseverance, and courtesy; in forgetfulness of the mere desire of victory, and entire superiority to all other than grave and holy considerations, and grave and holy means and efforts for success. Then proof will be given, so clear and con-

vincing, that none can gainsay or resist it,—and depend upon it, the eye of the world and the Church is now very especially upon you,—that your Christian profession is not in name only; and that it is as Christian men you engage in the concerns of the Christian Church.

Forgive, Brethren, this interruption of your proceedings. Believe me that it has proceeded from nothing but a conscientious desire to do what I rightly may in aid of their best prosecution and most successful issue. And accept my humble and affectionate commendation of you to the direction therein of God's most gracious favour, and the furtherance of His continual help.

The consideration of the Rev. Mr. Smith's resolution was then resumed. Five votes having called for a vote by orders separately, it was accordingly so taken, as follows:

CLERGY. *Aye*—Baker, Bayard, Bayley, Beach, Beardsley, Burgess, Campbell, Carmichael, Clark, J. T., Creighton, Hollis, Hughes, Humphrey, Judd, B., Keeler, M'Hugh, Meade, Metcalf, Murray, Peck, H., Price, Rogers, S. S., Sherwood, Smith, L., Smith, O. H., Smith, R., Storrs, Swart, Towell, Treadway, Whiting, Winslow.

No—Acly, Allanson, Attwater, Babcock, Baldwin, Barlow, Barrows, Bolles, Bostwick, Brayton, Brown, J., Clark, O., Cox, Cressy, Davis, S. E., Dennison, Eastburn, Eigenbrodt, Engel, Fraser, Fuller, Gallagher, Garfield, Gregory, Griffith, Hackley, Haight, Hale, Hawks, C. S., Hawks, F. L., Hubbard, Irving, Johnson, W. L., Jones, Judd, T. S., Lucas, McCarty, McVickar, Mallaby, Milnor, Peck, I., Potter, H., Pound, Prevost, Proal, Ransom, Rogers, F., Ruger, Seabury, S., Shelton, Smith, H., Spalding, Taylor, Ten Broeck, Thayer, Thibou, Van Ingen, Van Kleeck, Wainwright, Walker, Walter, Weber, Watkins, Wheeler, Whipple, Whitehouse, Whittingham.

LAITY. *Aye*—St. Luke's, Happersville; Trinity, Elmira; Christ, Fayetteville; St. Andrew's, New Berlin; Emmanuel, Norwich; St. Paul's, Oxford; St. Paul's, Brownville; Christ, Sacket's Harbor; Trinity, Watertown; St. Paul's, Holland Patent; St. Stephen's, New Hartford; St. Peter's, Oriskany; Grace, Utica; Trinity, Utica; Apostolic, Geddes; Zion, Onondaga; St. Luke's, Monticello; St. Mark's, Candor.

No.—St. Peter's, Albany; Trinity, Rensselaerville; St. Peter's, Auburn; St. Peter's, Bainbridge; Zion, Greene; Calvary, Homer; St. John's, Delhi; Christ, Walton; St. Paul's, Buffalo; St. James', Batavia; St. Mark's, Le Roy; St. Clement's, Wethersfield; Trinity, Fairfield; Grace, Norway; Zion, Pierpont Manor; Christ, Brooklyn; St. Ann's, Brooklyn; St. John's, Mount Morris; St. Thomas', Hamilton; St. Stephen's, Perryville;

St. Luke's, Rochester; All Saint's, New-York; Annunciation, New-York; Grace, New-York; St. Bartholomew's, New-York; St. George's, New-York; St. Luke's, New-York; St. Mark's, New-York; St. Michael's, New-York; St. Peter's, New-York; St. Stephen's, New-York; St. Thomas', New-York; Trinity, (3.) New-York; Trinity, Fayetteville; Christ, Manlius; Christ, Pompey; St. Paul's, Syracuse; St. John's, Canandaigua; Trinity, Geneva; St. James', Goshen; St. George's, Newburgh; St. Thomas', New Windsor; Trinity, Constantia; Zion, Fulton; Christ, Oswego; Christ, Cooperstown; Christ, Gilbertsville; Zion, Louisville; Grace, Jamaica; Trinity, Lansingburgh; St. John's, Troy; St. Paul's, Troy; St. Paul's, Tompkinsville, St. George's, Schenectady; Trinity, Seneca Falls; St. Paul's, Waterloo; St. Thomas', Bath; Grace, Canton; St. John's, Sodus; St. Paul's, Sing-Sing; Christ, Tarrytown; St. Peter's, Westchester.

So the resolution was lost.

Dr. Stearns offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the resolution appended to the Report of the Committee on the Boundary Line, be adopted.

Mr. Griswold moved to amend the same by striking out the words after "Madison" to the word "as," in the second line of the resolution, and inserting the word "Oswego."

Rev. Dr. Judd moved a further amendment, so as to include the counties of Tompkins and Tioga in the eastern Diocese.

On motion of Mr. Joseph Juliard, both these amendments were laid on the table.

The question being then taken on the original resolution, it was adopted as follows; viz :

The last annual Convention of this Diocese having determined "that it is expedient that this Diocese be divided into two Dioceses,"

Resolved, That the line formed by the present eastern boundary lines of the counties of Broome, Chenango, Madison, Oneida and Lewis, and the north-easterly line of the county of Jefferson, as the said lines of those counties are now established by law, be the boundary line between the said Dioceses.

On motion of Mr. John C. Spencer,

Resolved, That when this Convention adjourns, it adjourn to meet in Trinity Church, in the city of New-York, on Tuesday the 11th day of September next, at 5 P. M., then and there to complete formally the measures necessary to effect a division of this diocese, such division to take effect on the first day of November next, and to be made according to the line of division established at this meeting.

Resolved, That the usual number of the Journal of this Convention be printed; and that a collection be now made to defray the necessary expenses of the Convention.

A collection was accordingly made.

The minutes of the day were then read and approved.

On motion,

Resolved, that this Convention adjourn after the usual devotional exercises.

Accordingly the Convention, having united with the Bishop in singing the 210th Hymn and prayers, and having received his blessing, adjourned.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, D. D.,

Bishop of the Diocese of New York, and President of the Convention.

Attest,

FRANCIS L. HAWKS, D. D., *Secretary.*

ERRATA.

Page 4, line 6 from top, for *Paulding* read *Spalding*.

Page 15, 4th line from bottom, for *perseverance* read *forbearance*.

The above have been corrected in most of the copies.

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ADJOURNED SESSION

OF THE

SPECIAL CONVENTION

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE STATE OF NEW-YORK,

WHICH ASSEMBLED AT UTICA, IN AUGUST, 1838.

HELD IN TRINITY CHURCH, IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK,

ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH,

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OF THE

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ADJOURNED SESSION OF THE SPECIAL CONVENTION.

NEW-YORK, SEPTEMBER 11, 1838.

THIS being the day named by the Special Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York, which assembled at Utica on the 22d of August, as the day to which they adjourned, the Bishop of the Diocese, with a number of the Clergy and Laity, assembled at 5 o'clock P. M. in Trinity Church, in the city of New-York.

Evening Prayer was read by the Right Reverend the Bishop of the Diocese.

The Convention was then called to order by the Bishop.

At the calling of the roll, the following Clergymen answered to their names:

Rt. Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, D. D., John W. Brown, William M. Carmichael, Lawson Carter, Peter S. Chauncey, Orange Clark, D. D., Thomas W. Coit, James W. Cooke, William Creighton, D. D., Ebenezer H. Cressy, William A. Curtis, Benjamin C. Cutler, D. D., Samuel C. Davis, Manton Eastburn, D. D., Edmund Embury, Alexander Fraser, Kingston Goddard, Benjamin I. Haight, Robert W. Harris, Frederick W. Hatch, Cicero S. Hawks, Bethel Judd, D. D., Ezra B. Kellogg, Edward N. Mead, Isaac Pardee, Horatio Potter, D. D., Wm Powell, Joseph H. Price, P. A. Proal, Charles Seabury, George A. Shelton, Isaac Sherwood, Reuben Sherwood, Hugh Smith, Lucius Smith, Thomas H. Taylor, D. D., Anthony Ten Broeck, Samuel H. Turner, D. D., Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D., William Walton, Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., William R. Whittingham, D. D.

Also, the following Lay Delegates:

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Dutchess,	Trinity, Fishkill,	Gulian C. Verplanck.
Jefferson,	Zion, Pierrepont Manor,	William C. Pierrepont.
Kings,	Christ, Brooklyn,	Richard M. White.
	St. Ann's "	Thomas T. Chew.
Monroe,	St. Luke's, Rochester,	David Hoyt.
New-York,	All Saints,	Thomas S. Underhill.
	Annunciation,	Elisha L. Walton.
	Ascension,	Cornelius Oakley.
	Grace	Charles A. Lee.
	St. Bartholomew's,	Gerard W. Morris.
		Isaac A. Johnson.
		Samuel Jones.

Journal of the Adjourned Session

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
New-York,	St. George's,	John Stearns, M. D.
		B. L. Woolley.
		William Whitlock.
	St. Luke's,	Floyd Smith.
		C. N. S. Rowland.
	St. Mark's,	John R. Satterlee.
		Gerardus Clark.
		James Heard.
	St. Michael's,	James F. De Peyster.
		James McDonald.
Onondaga,	St. Peter's,	Charles Keeler.
	St. Stephen's,	Benjamin Loder.
	St. Thomas',	David Hadden.
	Trinity,	William H. Jephson.
		Benjamin M. Brown.
		William H. Harison.
		John D. Wolf.
	Christ, Manlius,	Robert Gilmore.
		Joshua V. H. Clark.
		John C. Spencer.
Ontario, Queen's, Richmond,	St. John's, Canandaigua,	John A. King.
	Grace, Jamaica,	C. T. Ward.
	St. Paul's, Tompkinsville,	Thomas Hassard.
		George Coque.
Westchester,	Zion, Greenburgh,	Joseph A. Constant.
	St. Paul's, Sing Sing,	William H. Brewster.
	Christ, Tarrytown,	N. B. Holmes.
		Charles F. Smith.

The following Delegates then presented their certificates, and took their seats:

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Dutchess, Kings, Monroe, New-York,	St. Anna's, Fishkill Landing,	Isaac Teller.
	St. Paul's, Brooklyn,	John E. Bensus.
	Grace, Rochester,	Edward S. Clark.
	St. Clements,	J. Neilson Taylor.
		Samuel B. Romaine.
		J. W. Bridges.
	Zion,	Smith Barker.
		Frederick Pentz.
	Christ, Oswego,	Moses P. Hatch.
	St. George's, Hallett's Cove,	Alex. H. Stevens, M.D.
Oswego, Queens,		Charles H. Roach.
	St. Thomas', Mamaroneck,	Samuel Purdy.
	Trinity, New Rochelle,	George Case.
	Christ, Rye,	Hackaliah Brown.
Westchester,	Grace, Whiteplains,	Augustus Proal.

There being a quorum present, the House proceeded to business.
The Committee on the Incorporation of Churches, reported

Grace Church, Lyons, Wayne County, as duly incorporated, according to law. Whereupon, on motion, the said Church was received into union with this Convention.

The following Documents from the General Convention, referring to the special business of this Convention, were then presented by the Bishop, and read by the Assistant Secretary :

HOUSE OF CLERICAL AND LAY DEPUTIES,

Philadelphia, Sept. 10, 1838.

EXTRACT FROM MINUTES.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the following amendments of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America proposed in the last General Convention, the same having been made known to the several State Conventions agreeably to the terms of the Constitution, be, and are hereby finally agreed to and ratified by this General Convention : that is to say—

“ A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or any Territory thereof not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted, by acceding to this Constitution ; and a new diocese to be formed from one or more existing dioceses may be admitted under the following restrictions :

“ No new diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any other diocese, nor shall any diocese be formed by the junction of two or more dioceses or parts of dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the dioceses concerned, as well as of the General Convention.

“ No such new diocese shall be formed, which shall contain less than eight thousand square miles in one body, and thirty presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new diocese, regularly settled in a parish or congregation, and qualified to vote for a bishop. Nor shall such new diocese be formed, if thereby any existing diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than eight thousand square miles, or less than thirty presbyters who have been residing therein, and settled and qualified as above mentioned.

“ In case one diocese shall be divided into two dioceses, the diocesan of the diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the diocesan thereof. And the assistant bishop, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached ; and if it be not the one elected by the bishop, he shall be the diocesan thereof.

“ Whenever the division of a diocese into two dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the two dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing dioceses, the new diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing dioceses, to which the greater number of clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new diocese, until the same may be altered by the convention of the new diocese.”

Strike out the word “ States ” whenever it occurs in the first and second articles, except where it follows the word “ United,” in the first part of the first article, and insert in lieu of the word “ States ” the word “ Dioceses.”

Strike out the word “ States ” whenever it occurs in the second, third and fourth articles, and insert in lieu thereof the word “ Diocese.”

Strike out the words “ or District ” in the fourth article.

Strike out the word “ State ” in the sixth article, and insert the word “ Diocese.”

Strike out the word “ States ” in the eighth article, and insert the word “ Dioceses ” ; and in the eighth article strike out the words “ or State ” after the words “ every Diocese.”

Strike out the word “ States ” in the ninth article, and insert the word

"Dioceses." Strike out the word "State" in the ninth article, and insert the word "Diocesan."

Signed, by order of the House,

Attest, W. E. WYATT, D. D., *President*.
HENRY ANTHON, D. D., *Secretary*.

HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

Extract from the Minutes of Monday, 10th September, 1838.

"A resolution was communicated from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in which they requested the concurrence of this House, agreeing to and ratifying the amendments of the Constitution proposed in the last General Convention: Whereupon, on motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, of New-York, *Resolved*, That this House concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in the form proposed by that House, for agreeing to and ratifying the alterations in the Constitution proposed at the last General Convention."

By order of the House of Bishops.

Attested, ALEXANDER V. GRISWOLD, D. D., *Presiding Bishop*.
BIRD WILSON, D. D., *Secretary*.

CANON.

Sect. I.—Whenever any new diocese shall be formed within the limits of any other diocese, or by the junction of two or more dioceses or parts of dioceses, and the same shall have been ratified by the General Convention, the Bishop of the diocese within the limits of which another is formed; or in case of the junction of two or more dioceses or parts of dioceses, the bishop of eldest consecration over the dioceses furnishing portions of such new diocese, shall thereupon call the primary convention of the new diocese, for the purpose of enabling it to organize, and shall fix the time and place of holding the same, such place being within the territorial limits of the new diocese.

Sect. II.—In case there should be no bishop who can call such primary convention pursuant to the foregoing provisions, then the duty of calling such convention for the purpose of organizing, and the duty of fixing the time and place of its meeting, shall be vested in the standing committee of the diocese within the limits of which a new one is formed, or in the standing committee of the eldest of the dioceses by the junction of which or parts of which the new diocese may be formed. And such standing committee shall make such call immediately after the ratification of a division by the General Convention.

By order of the House of Bishops.

ALEXANDER V. GRISWOLD, D. D., *Presiding Bishop*.
Attest, BIRD WILSON, D. D., *Secretary*.

By order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

W. E. WYATT, D. D., *President*.
Attest, HENRY ANTHON, D. D., *Secretary*.

The Rev. Orange Clark, D. D., then offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Diocese of New-York be divided into two Dioceses, and that the line formed by the present eastern boundary lines of the counties of Broome, Chenango, Madison, Oneida, and Lewis, and the northeasterly line of the county of Jefferson, as those lines are now established by law, be the boundary line between the said Dioceses; that such division take effect on the first day of November next; and that the Delegates from this Diocese to the General Convention, be requested to present this resolution, duly authenticated, to the General Convention now in session in the city of Philadelphia, and request its consent to, and ratification of, the said division.

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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FOURTH CONVENTION

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN

The State of New-York:

Held in TRINITY CHURCH, IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK,

On Thursday, October 4th, and Friday, Oct. 5th,

A. D. 1838.

TO WHICH IS PREFIXED
A LIST OF THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE.

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Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York," instead of the words "the Diocese of New-York."

The resolution was then adopted as amended, as follows:

Resolved, That the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York, be divided into two Dioceses, and that the line formed by the present eastern boundary lines of the counties of Broome, Chenango, Madison, Oneida, and Lewis, and the north-easterly line of the county of Jefferson, as the said lines of those counties are now established by law, be the boundary line between the said Dioceses; that such division take effect on the first day of November next; and that the Delegates from this Diocese to the General Convention, be requested to present this resolution, duly authenticated, to the General Convention, now in session in the city of Philadelphia, and request its consent to, and ratification of, the said division.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Bishop of this Diocese be requested to communicate to the General Convention, information of the fact, that he has consented to the said division.

On motion of Mr. J. C. Spencer,

Resolved, That this Convention will, at the October session, determine the names of the respective Dioceses.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to take into consideration, the subject of the Episcopal Fund, and the measures necessary to make provision for the support of the Bishops of the respective Dioceses of New-York; and that they report at the next Annual Convention of the Diocese of New-York.

Resolved, That the Committee appointed under the last resolution, be directed to consider the subject of the number of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary which each of the Dioceses will be entitled to nominate, and how vacancies in the existing number of Trustees from this Diocese shall be supplied; and that they report thereon at the next Annual Convention of the Diocese of New-York.

On motion, it was *Resolved*, That the Committee consist of four Clergymen and four Laymen. The Chair appointed the following gentlemen:—Rev. Dr. Wainwright, Rev. Dr. Clark, Rev. Mr. Proal, Rev. Dr. H. Potter; Mess. John C. Spencer, William H. Harrison, Samuel Jones, William H. Seward.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Taylor, *Resolved*, That the usual number of the Journal of this session be printed.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Convention adjourn, after the usual Devotional Exercises.

Accordingly, the Convention, having united with the Bishop in singing part of the 99th Psalm, and prayers, and having received his blessing, adjourned sine die.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, D. D.,

Bishop of the Diocese of New York, and President of the Convention.

Attest,

FRANCIS L. HAWKS, D. D., *Secretary.*

By BENJAMIN I. HAIGHT, Assistant Secretary.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

OF

THE DIOCESE OF NEW YORK.

*This mark * designates the Alumni of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States.*

- THE Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop, and Professor of the Nature, Ministry, and Polity of the Church in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.
- *Rev. Charles G. Acly, Rector of Trinity Church, Watertown, Jefferson county.
- *Rev. Hiram Adams, Principal of a Select School, Kingston, Ulster county.
- Rev. Norman H. Adams, rector of St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, Otsego co.
- Rev. Jasper Adams, D. D., chaplain and professor of Moral Philosophy in the United States Military Academy, West Point.
- Rev. William Allanson, missionary at Medina, Orleans county.
- Rev. Edward Andrews, rector of Christ Church, Binghamton, Broome co.
- Rev. George B. Andrews, rector of Zion Church, Wappinger's Creek, Dutchess county.
- Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D., rector of St. Mark's Church, New-York.
- Rev. Henry S. Attwater, missionary at Mount Morris, Livingston county.
- Rev. Deodatus Babcock, missionary at Ballston Spa, and Saratoga Springs, Saratoga county.
- Rev. William Baker, missionary, at Fairfield and Norway, Herkimer county.
- Rev. Lewis P. W. Balch, rector of St. Bartholomew's Church, New York.
- Rev. Amos G. Baldwin, missionary at Mayville and Jamestown, Chautauque county.
- Rev. William Barlow, rector of St. John's Church, Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence county.
- *Rev. Liberty A. Barrows, missionary at Norwich, Chenango county.
- Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, D. D., rector of St. Clement's Church, New-York.
- Rev. John Bayley, deacon, missionary at Owego, Tioga county.
- *Rev. Amos B. Beach, deacon, missionary at Walton, Delaware county.
- Rev. Seth W. Beardsley, missionary at Moravia, Cayuga county.
- Rev. Alva Bennett, teacher in the Episcopal Institute, Troy.
- Rev. Moses P. Bennet.
- Rev. William Berrian, D. D., rector of Trinity Church, including St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels, New-York.
- Rev. Moore Bingham, missionary at Hampton, Washington county.
- Rev. James A. Bolles, rector of St. James' Church, Batavia, Genesee county.
- Rev. Robert Bolton, rector of St. Paul's Church, Eastchester, Westchester county.
- Rev. William W. Bostwick, rector of St. James' Church, Hammond's Port, and St. Thomas' Church, Bath, Steuben county.
- Rev. Charles W. Bradley.
- Rev. Johnson A. Brayton, missionary at Hamilton, Madison county.
- Rev. George Bridgman.
- Rev. Thomas S. Brittan, rector of St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn.
- Rev. John Brown, rector of St. George's Church, Newburgh, and St. Thomas' Church, New-Windsor, Orange county.

- *Rev. John W. Brown, deacon, minister of St. George's Church, Hallet's Cove, Queen's County.
- Rev. Nathaniel F. Bruce, M. D., residing in Allegany county.
- Rev. Edward C. Bull, rector of St. Philip's Church, Phillipstown, Putnam county.
- Rev. Nathan B. Burgess, missionary at Rome, Oneida county.
- *Rev. Richard F. Burnham, rector of Trinity Church, Fishkill, Dutchess county.
- Rev. Leverett Bush, rector of St. Paul's Church, Oxford, Chenango county.
- *Rev. Clement M. Butler.
- Rev. David Butler, D. D., residing at Troy.
- Rev. Robert Campbell, rector of St. Luke's Church, Monticello, Otsego county.
- Rev. James D. Carder, rector of St. John's Church, Fort Hamilton, King's county, and Secretary and General Agent of the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.
- Rev. William M. Carmichael, rector of St. George's Church, Hempstead, Queen's county.
- Rev. Lawson Carter, rector of Trinity Church, New Rochelle, Westchester county.
- Rev. Lucius Carter, missionary at Hunt's Hollow, Allegany county.
- *Rev. Peter S. Chauncey, rector of Christ Church, Rye, Westchester county.
- *Rev. Tapping R. Chipman, deacon, officiating at Brockport, Monroe county.
- Rev. Joseph T. Clark, missionary at Skaneateles, Onondaga county.
- Rev. Orange Clark, D. D., rector of Grace Church, Rochester.
- *Rev. Thomas Clark.
- Rev. James P. F. Clarke, rector of Christ Church, Manhasset, Queen's county.
- Rev. James Coghlan, rector of St. Paul's Church, Flatbush, King's county.
- Rev. Joseph H. Coit, rector of Trinity Church, Plattsburg, Clinton county.
- Rev. Thomas W. Coit, D. D., rector of Trinity Church, Brooklyn.
- Rev. Calvin Colton.
- Rev. James W. Cooke, assistant minister of St. George's Church, New-York.
- *Rev. Samuel Cooke, deacon, missionary at Lyons, Wayne county.
- *Rev. William C. Cooley, rector of St. Peter's Church, Peekskill, Westchester co.
- *Rev. Richard Cox, rector of St. John's Church, Troy.
- Rev. William Creighton, D. D., rector of Zion Church, Greenburgh, and Christ Church, Tarrytown, Westchester county.
- Rev. Ebenezer H. Cressey, rector of Christ Church, Lockport, Niagara county.
- *Rev. Alexander H. Crosby, rector of St. John's Church, Yonkers, including a chapel at Tuckahoe, Westchester county.
- *Rev. William A. Curtis, rector of St. Thomas' Church, Mamaroneck, Westchester county.
- Rev. Benjamin C. Cutler, D. D., rector of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, King's county.
- Rev. Edward Davis, rector of St. Paul's Church, Charlton, Saratoga county.
- Rev. Samuel C. Davis, rector of St. Mark's Church, Williamsburgh, Kings co.
- Rev. Isaiah G. De Grasse, deacon, (a colored man,) missionary to the colored Episcopalians at Jamaica, Flushing, and Hallet's Cove, Queen's county.
- Rev. George Dennison, missionary at Upper Lockport, Niagara county.
- *Rev. John Dowdney, jun. missionary at Kingston, Ulster county.
- Rev. Palmer Dyer, missionary at Whitehall, Washington county.
- Rev. Manton Eastburn, D. D., rector of the Church of the Ascension, New-York.
- *Rev. William E. Eigenbrodt, deacon, minister of St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenango county.
- *Rev. Edmund Embury, missionary at Penn Yan, Yates county.
- Rev. George B. Engle, missionary at Fulton, Oswego county, and Baldwinsville, Onondaga county.
- Rev. John F. Ernst, deacon, principal of an academy, Batavia, Genesee county.
- Rev. Benjamin Evans, missionary at Patterson, Putnam county, and North Salem, Westchester county.
- *Rev. John Murray Forbes, rector of St. Luke's Church, New-York.
- Rev. Edward K. Fowler, missionary at Monticello, Sullivan county.
- Rev. Alexander Frazer, missionary at large in the city of New-York.
- Rev. Samuel Fuller, rector of Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, Albany county.
- *Rev. John B. Gallagher, deacon, minister of St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, Onondaga county.

- Rev. John M. Garfield, principal of the Albany Female Seminary.
Rev. Isaac Garvin, missionary at Wethersfield Springs, Genesee county.
Rev. John D. Gilbert.
*Rev. Kingston Goddard, rector of Christ Church, Brooklyn.
*Rev. Frederick J. Goodwin, rector of St. George's Church, Flushing, Queen's co.
Rev. Henry Gregory, rector of Calvary Church, Homer, Cortlandt county.
Rev. David Griffith, missionary at Morristown, St. Lawrence county.
Rev. Charles W. Hackley, Professor of Mathematics in the University of the city of New-York.
*Rev. Benjamin I. Haight, rector of All Saints' Church, New-York.
Rev. Benjamin Hale, D. D., President of Geneva College, Geneva, Ontario county.
Rev. William Hammel, residing in New-York.
*Rev. Robert W. Harris, rector of Grace Church, White Plains, Westchester county.
*Rev. Abram B. Hart, rector of St. Andrew's Church, New-York.
Rev. Samuel Haskell, residing at New Rochelle, Westchester county.
Rev. Frederick W. Hatch, rector of St. Paul's Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county.
Rev. Cicero S. Hawks, rector of Trinity Church, Buffalo.
Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., rector of St. Thomas' Church, New-York.
Rev. Caleb S. Henry, D. D., editor of the New-York Review, New-York.
*Rev. Edward Y. Higbee, an assistant minister of Trinity Church, New-York.
Rev. Origen P. Holcomb, rector of Trinity Church, Windham, Greene county.
Rev. Humphrey Hollis, missionary at South Danby, Tompkins county, and Candor, Tioga county.
Rev. Herman Hooker.
*Rev. Nicholas Hoppin, deacon.
Rev. Reuben Hubbard, missionary at Stillwater and Mechanicsville, Saratoga county.
Rev. Richard T. Huddart, deacon, Principal of an Academy, Bloomingdale, New-York.
Rev. John Hughes, missionary at Gilbertsville and Otego, Otsego county.
Rev. Aaron Humphrey, missionary at Waddington, St. Lawrence county.
Rev. David Huntington, rector of St. Peter's Church, Hobart, Delaware county.
Rev. Nathaniel Huse, rector of St. Peter's Church, Westfield, Chautauque county.
Rev. Pierre P. Irving, rector of Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario county.
Rev. Hiram Jelliff, missionary at Lithgow, Dutchess county.
Rev. Evan Malbone Johnson, rector of St. John's Church, Brooklyn, King's county.
*Rev. William L. Johnson, rector of Grace Church, Jamaica, Queen's county.
Rev. George Jones, chaplain in the United States Navy.
Rev. Lot Jones, missionary in the city of New York, in charge of the Mission Church of the Epiphany.
Rev. Bethel Judd, D. D., rector of St. John's Church, Ithaca, Tompkins county.
Rev. Thomas S. Judd, rector of St. John's Church, Delhi, Delaware county.
Rev. Ravaud Kearny, rector of Trinity Church, Ulster, Ulster county, and St. Paul's Church, Upper Redhook, Dutchess county.
Rev. James Keeler, missionary at Harpersville, Broome county.
Rev. Ezra B. Kellogg, missionary in charge of the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists, New-York.
Rev. Charles V. Kelly.
Rev. John B. Kerfoot, deacon, chaplain and assisting the Professor of the Greek and Latin Languages, St. Paul's College, College Point, Flushing, Queens co.
Rev. Nathan Kingsberry.
*Rev. William I. Kip, rector of St. Paul's Church, Albany.
Rev. John Knill, missionary at Port Jackson, Montgomery county, and West Charlton, Saratoga county.
*Rev. Daniel S. Lewis, missionary at West Troy, Albany county.
*Rev. Henry Lockwood, missionary to China, in the employ of the Board of Missions.
*Rev. William Lucas, rector of St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga county.
Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., rector of Christ Church, New-York.
Rev. Charles M'Cabe, rector of St. James' Church, Milton, Saratoga county.
Rev. John M'Carty, rector of Christ Church, Oswego, Oswego county.
Rev. Stephen M'Hugh, missionary at Holland Patent and Oriskany, Oneida county.

List of the Clergy

- Rev. John M'Vickar, D. D., Professor of Moral and Intellectual Philosophy and Political Economy, in Columbia College, New-York.
- *Rev. Thomas Mallaby, rector of St. James' Church, Goshen, Orange county.
- *Rev. Solon W. Manney, deacon, Minister of the Church of the Nativity, New-York.
- Rev. Moses Marcus, missionary to the Island of Nantucket, Massachusetts, in the employ of the Board of Missions.
- Rev. Darwin B. Mason, M. D., deacon, missionary at Granville, Washington co.
- Rev. Thomas Meachen, missionary at Centrefield, Ontario county.
- *Rev. Edward N. Mead, rector of St. Paul's Church, and chaplain to the New-York State Prison, Sing Sing, Westchester county.
- *Rev. John F. Messenger, teacher, Brooklyn.
- Rev. Kendrick Metcalf, rector of St. Mark's Church, Leroy, Genesee county.
- Rev. James Milnor, D. D., rector of St. George's Church, New-York.
- Rev. Timothy Minor, officiating at Westford, and Cherry Valley, Otsego co.
- Rev. David Moore, rector of St. Andrew's Church, Richmond, including Trinity Chapel, Factoryville, Richmond county.
- Rev. Thomas Morris, missionary at Ellicottville and Olean, Cattaraugus county.
- Rev. William Morris, assistant minister of St. Michael's and St. James' Churches, and rector of Trinity School, New-York.
- Rev. William A. Muhlenberg, D. D., Senior of the Collegiate Family, and Professor of the Evidences and Ethics of Christianity, St. Paul's College, College Point, Flushing, Queen's county.
- Rev. Rufus Murray, missionary at Lewiston, Niagara county.
- Rev. Samuel Nichols, rector of St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, Westchester county.
- Rev. William W. Niles, residing in New-York.
- Rev. Beardsley Northrop, residing near Lockport, Niagara county.
- Rev. George H. Norton, missionary at Allen's Hill, Ontario county.
- Rev. John D. Ogilby, Professor of the Greek and Latin Languages, Rutgers College, New Brunswick, New Jersey, and officiating in Trinity Church, New-York.
- Rev. George Ogle, deacon, officiating in Calvary Church, Homer, Cortland county.
- Rev. William P. Page.
- Rev. Amos Pardee.
- *Rev. Isaac Pardee, rector of Christ Church, Hudson.
- *Rev. Alfred H. Partridge, deacon, assistant minister of St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, Westchester county.
- Rev. Henry Peck, rector of St. Paul's Church, Paris Hill, Oneida county.
- Rev. Isaac Peck, assistant minister of Christ Church, New York.
- Rev. Marcus A. Perry, residing at New Hartford, Oneida county.
- *Rev. Hewlet R. Peters.
- Rev. Joseph F. Phillips, rector of St. Luke's Church, Catskill, Greene county.
- Rev. Washington Philo, deacon.
- Rev. Samuel Phinney, Principal of an Academy, Newburgh, Orange county.
- *Rev. George S. Porter, residing at Fredonia, Chautauque county.
- Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., Professor of Moral Philosophy and Belles Lettres, in Union College, Schenectady.
- Rev. Horatio Potter, D. D., rector of St. Peter's Church, Albany.
- Rev. Jesse Pound, rector of Christ Church, Manlius, Onondaga county.
- Rev. William Powell, rector of St. Peter's Church, Westchester, and Principal of an Academy, West Farms, Westchester county.
- Rev. Augustine P. Prevost, rector of St. John's Church, Canandaigua, Ontario county.
- Rev. Joseph H. Price, rector of St. Stephen's Church, New York.
- Rev. Pierre Alexis Proal, rector of Trinity Church, Utica.
- *Rev. Henry H. Prout.
- Rev. Joseph Ransom, rector of St. John's Church, Johnstown, Fulton county.
- Rev. John Reed, D. D. rector of Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county.
- Rev. Thomas C. Reed, Professor in Union College, Schenectady.
- Rev. James C. Richmond, rector of St. Michael's, St. James', and St. Mary's Churches, New York.
- Rev. William Richmond, rector of Zion Church, New York.
- *Rev. Ferdinand Rogers, deacon, minister of St. Paul's Church, Brownville, Jefferson county.

- Rev. Seth S. Rogers, missionary at Fayetteville, Chenango county.
Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D., Editor of the Gospel Messenger, Utica.
Rev. Thomas J. Ruger, deacon, missionary at Sherburne, Chenango county.
Rev. Richard Salmon.
Rev. Gilbert H. Sayres, residing at Jamaica, Queen's county.
Rev. John Frederick Schroeder, D. D., an assistant minister of Trinity Church, New-York.
Rev. John Scovill, deacon, minister of Christ Church, Greeneville, and assistant minister of St. Paul's Church, Oakhill, Greene county.
Rev. Charles Seabury, missionary at Setauket and Islip, Suffolk county.
Rev. Samuel Seabury, D. D., rector of the Church of the Annunciation, and editor of the Churchman, New-York.
Rev. Robert Shaw, missionary at Marlborough, Ulster county.
*Rev. George A. Shelton, rector of St. James' Church, Newtown, Queen's county.
*Rev. William Shelton, D. D., rector of St. Paul's Church, Buffalo, Erie county.
Rev. Isaac Sherwood, missionary at Coldspring Harbor, Queen's county, and Huntington, Suffolk county.
Rev. Reuben Sherwood, rector of St. James' Church, Hyde Park, Dutchess county.
Rev. Richard C. Shimeall, rector of the Church of the Messiah, New-York.
*Rev. Aldert Smedes, jun., rector of St. George's Church, Schenectady.
Rev. Hugh Smith, rector of St. Peter's Church, New-York.
Rev. Lucius Smith, missionary at Fredonia, Chautauque county.
Rev. Orsamus H. Smith, missionary at Rensselaerville, Albany county.
Rev. Richard Smith, missionary at Hector, Tompkins county, and Johnson's Settlement, Chemung county.
Rev. Erastus Spalding, missionary at Vienna, Ontario county, and Sodus, Wayne county.
*Rev. John A. Spooner, deacon.
Rev. William Staunton, Special Agent of the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, New-York.
Rev. Cyrus Stebbins, D. D., missionary at Waterford, Saratoga county, and Cohoes, Albany county.
Rev. James O. Stokes, residing near Medina, Orleans county.
*Rev. Henry L. Storrs, rector of St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida co.
Rev. James Sunderland.
*Rev. Isaac Swart, deacon, assistant minister of Christ Church, Cooperstown, Otsego county.
*Rev. Henry W. Sweetzer, deacon.
Rev. James M. Tappan.
Rev. William Tatham, missionary at Canton, St. Lawrence county.
Rev. Thomas H. Taylor, D. D. rector of Grace Church, New-York.
*Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck, deacon, minister of St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, Dutchess county.
Rev. Foster Thayer, missionary at Waterloo, Seneca county.
*Rev. Lewis Thibou, jun., missionary at Angelica, Allegany county.
Rev. William B. Thomas, rector of Christ Church, Duaneburgh, Schenectady county.
Rev. James Thompson, missionary at Durham, Greene county.
Rev. Frederick T. Tiffany, rector of Christ Church, Cooperstown, Otsego county.
Rev. Francis T. Todrig.
Rev. Thomas Towell, missionary at Little Falls and Mohawk, Herkimer county.
Rev. Amos C. Treadway, missionary at Sacket's Harbour, Jefferson county.
Rev. Francis Tremayne.
*Rev. Henry Tullidge, missionary at Seneca Falls, Seneca county, and Montezuma, Cayuga county.
Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D. D., Professor of Biblical Learning and the Interpretation of Scripture, in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.
Rev. Alvi T. Twing, Teacher in the Episcopal Institute, Troy.
Rev. John V. Van Ingen, rector of Zion Church, Greene, Chenango county.
*Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, rector of St. Paul's Church, Troy.
Rev. John A. Vaughan, Secretary and General Agent of the Foreign Committee of

- the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.
- Rev. Antoine Verren, rector of the French Church Du St. Esprit, and Professor of the French Language and Literature in Columbia College, New-York.
- Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D., an assistant minister of Trinity Church, New York.
- Rev. Gershom P. Waldo, deacon.
- *Rev. William F. Walker, rector of Christ Church, and Principal of the Episcopal Institute, Troy.
- *Rev. William H. Walter, rector of St. Paul's Church, Tompkinsville, Richmond county.
- *Rev. William Walton, deacon, officiating in St. John's Church, Yonkers, Westchester county.
- Rev. Thomas Warner.
- Rev. Nathaniel Watkins, Missionary at Pierrepont Manor, Jefferson county.
- Rev. William M. Weber, M. D., rector of St. Stephen's Church, Perryville, Madison county.
- Rev. Russel Wheeler, rector of St. Andrew's Church, New Berlin, Chenango county.
- Rev. Phineas L. Whipple, rector of Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county.
- *Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., rector of St. Luke's Church, Rochester, Monroe county.
- *Rev. Marshall Whiting, missionary at Onondaga Hill and Geddes, Onondaga county.
- *Rev. William R. Whittingham, D. D., St. Mark's Church in the Bowery Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.
- Rev. Ebenezer Williams, deacon, missionary at Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer county.
- Rev. Eleazar Williams, deacon.
- Rev. Peter Williams, (a colored man,) rector of St. Philip's Church, New-York, the congregation of which is composed of colored persons.
- *Rev. Lloyd Windsor.
- Rev. Gordon Winslow, missionary at Elmira, Chemung county.
- Rev. William Withington, Deacon.—Total 249.

LIST OF THE CLERGY WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D.

PREBYTTERS AND DEACONS.

Rev. Charles G. Acly,	Rev. Leverett Bush,
" Norman H. Adams,	" Richard F. Burnham,
" George B. Andrews,	" Robert Campbell,
" Henry Anthon, D. D.	" James D. Carder,
" Deodatus Babcock,	" William M. Carmichael,
" Liberty A. Barrows,	" Lawson Carter,
" Lewis P. Bayard, D. D.	" Peter S. Chauncey,
" Amos B. Beach,	" Joseph T. Clark,
" William Berrian, D. D.	" Orange Clark, D. D.
" Moore Bingham,	" James P. F. Clarke,
" James A. Bolles,	" James Coghlan,
" Robert Bolton,	" Thomas W. Coit,
" Johnson A. Brayton,	" James W. Cooke,
" Thomas S. Brittan,	" William C. Cooley,
" John Brown,	" Richard Cox,
" John W. Brown,	" William Creighton, D. D.
" Edward C. Bull,	" William A. Curtis,
" Nathan B. Burgess,	" Benjamin C. Cutler, D. D.

Rev. Edward Davis,
 " Samuel C. Davis,
 " John Dowdney, jun.
 " Palmer Dyer,
 " Manton Eastburn, D. D.
 " William Eigenbrodt,
 " Benjamin Evans,
 " John M. Forbes,
 " Alexander Fraser,
 " Samuel Fuller,
 " Kingston Goddard,
 " Frederick I. Goodwin,
 " Henry Gregory,
 " Charles W. Hackley,
 " Benjamin I. Haight,
 " Benjamin Hale, D. D.
 " Robert W. Harris,
 " Abram B. Hart,
 " Frederick W. Hatch,
 " Cicero S. Hawks,
 " Francis L. Hawks, D. D.
 " Ed. Y. Higbee,
 " Origen P. Holcomb,
 " John Hughes,
 " David Huntington,
 " Pierre P. Irving,
 " Hiram Jelliff,
 " Evan M. Johnson,
 " William L. Johnson,
 " Lot Jones,
 " Ravaud Kearney,
 " William I. Kipp,
 " John Knill,
 " Daniel S. Lewis,
 " William Lucas,
 " Thomas Lyell, D. D.
 " Charles McCabe,
 " John McCarty,
 " Stephen M. Hugh,
 " John M. Vickar, D. D.
 " Thomas Mallaby,
 " Solon W. Munney,
 " Edward N. Mead,
 " James Milnor, D. D.
 " Timothy Minor,
 " David Moore,
 " William Morris,
 " Samuel Nichols,

Rev. George Ogle,
 " Isaac Pardee,
 " Alfred H. Partridge,
 " Isaac Peck,
 " Joseph F. Phillips,
 " Alonzo Potter, D. D.
 " Horatio Potter, D. D.
 " Jesse Pound,
 " William Powell,
 " Augustus P. Prevost,
 " Joseph H. Price,
 " Pierre A. Proal,
 " Joseph Ransom,
 " John Reed, D. D.
 " James C. Richmond,
 " William Richmond,
 " Seth S. Rogers,
 " Samuel Seabury, D. D.
 " Robert Shaw,
 " George A. Shelton,
 " William Shelton, D. D.
 " Isaac Sherwood,
 " Reuben Sherwood,
 " Richard C. Shimeall,
 " Aldert Smedes,
 " Hugh Smith, D. D.
 " Lucius Smith,
 " Orsamus H. Smith,
 " Cyrus Stebbins, D. D.
 " Henry L. Storrs,
 " Thomas H. Taylor, D. D.
 " Anthony Ten Broeck,
 " Foster Thayer,
 " William B. Thomas,
 " Frederick T. Tiffany,
 " Thomas Towell,
 " Henry Tullidge,
 " Samuel H. Turner, D. D.
 " Robert B. Van Kleeck,
 " Antoine Verren,
 " Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D.
 " William F. Walker,
 " William H. Walter,
 " William Walton,
 " Phineas L. Whipple,
 " Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D.
 " William R. Whittingham, D. D.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

Albany county. Albany, St. Paul's Church, Harman Pease, S. De Witt Bloodgood.

Cayuga county. Auburn, St. Peter's Church, E. Humphrey.

Chenango county. Bainbridge, Elisha Bishop.

Oxford, St. Paul's Church, Benjamin Butler, Erastus Perkins.

- Clinton County.** *Plattsburgh*, Trinity Church, James Bailey.
- Columbia County.** *Hudson*, Christ Church, Jonathan Stott, Cyrus Curtiss.
- Dutchess County.** *Fishkill*, Trinity Church, G. C. Verplanck.
- Fishkill Landing*, St. Anna's Church, Robert Gill.
- Hyde Park*, St. James' Church, David Collins, jun.
- Lithgow*, St. Peter's Church, Homer Wheaton.
- Poughkeepsie*, Christ Church, William T. Belden, James Emmott.
- St. Paul's Church, John Clark, James Emott.
- Upper Red Hook*, St. Paul's Church, Cambridge Livingston.
- Wappinger's Creek*, Zion Church, James Ingham.
- Erie County.** *Buffalo*, St. Paul's Church, R. H. Heywood.
- Greene County.** *Cairo*, Calvary Church, Henry E. Hotchkiss.
- Catskill*, St. Luke's Church, Charles S. Willard.
- Greenville*, Christ Church, Reuben Rundal, jr.
- Jefferson County.** *Pierrepont Manor*, Zion Church, William C. Pierrepont.
- King's County.** *Brooklyn*, Christ Church, Richard M. White, Edward W. Dunham, Nicholas Luquer.
- St. Ann's Church, Thomas T. Chew, Frederick T. Peet, D. B. Douglass.
- St. John's Church, Ezekiel Ostrander, John Blunt, James B. Bach.
- St. Mary's, John Hammell.
- St. Paul's, John Low.
- Flatbush*, St. Paul's Church, Matthew Clarkson, A. Norrie.
- Williamsburgh*, St. Mark's Church, Ebenezer Griffin, Ephraim Cooke.
- Livingston County.** *Mount Morris*, St. John's Church, Charles H. Carroll, Henry Swan.
- Monroe County.** *Rochester*, Grace Church, Elisha B. Strong.
- St. Luke's Church, Jonathan Child, Thomas H. Rochester, E. Darwin Smith.
- Montgomery County.** *Port Jackson*, St. Ann's Church, D. P. Corey.
- New-York County.** *New-York*, All Saints' Church, James Burges, Robert S. Bartow, William Stebbins, Thomas S. Underhill, John B. Hunter.
- Annunciation Church, Fanning C. Tucker, Cornelius Oakley.
- Ascension Church, Murray Hoffman, Abel T. Anderson, Hiram Ketchum.
- Calvary Church, Charles Denroche, Napoleon B. Mountfort.
- Christ Church, Elijah Guion, William M. Price, Theophilus Bleecker, Matthew Keeler.
- Grace Church, Thomas L. Wells, P. Augustus Schermerhorn, Isaac A. Johnson.
- Messiah Church, Augustus Cornwall, Thomas Noble, William C. Carter.
- St. Andrew's Church, Lewis Morris, Guy C. Bayley.
- St. Bartholomew's Church, Samuel Jones, Watson E. Lawrence, S. Cambreling.
- St. Clement's Church, William S. Popham, William H. Mott, Andrew Pollock.
- St. George's Church, John Stearns, William Whitlock, jun. B. L. Woolley, James I. Hoyt.
- St. Luke's Church, Henry Ritter, Floyd Smith, John R. Satterlee, C. N. S. Rowland, Henry I. Seaman.
- St. Mark's Church, Peter G. Stuyvesant, Gerardus Clark, James Heard, Isaac Carrow.
- St. Michael's Church, James F. De Peyster, James Macdonald.
- St. Peter's Church, Clement C. Moore, John D. Ogden, Reuben Spencer, Edmund Hurry, B. B. Howell.
- St. Stephen's Church, Daniel Mersereau, Benjamin Loder.
- St. Thomas' Church, Isaac Lawrence, David Hadden, William H. Jephson.
- St. Timothy's Church, Charles A. Focke.
- Trinity Church, Thomas L. Ogden, William Johnson, Nehemiah Rogers, Benjamin M. Brown.
- Zion Church, John Graff, Frederick Pentz, William Thorn, William Hinton, Smith Barker.
- Oneida County.** *New-Hartford*, St. Stephen's Church, Thomas Briggs.
- Utica*, Grace Church, Eli Maynard.
- Trinity Church*, Elisha Wells, Chester Griswold.

Onondaga County. *Onondaga*, Zion Church, Charles D. Easton.
Ontario County. *Canandaigua*, St. John's Church, John C. Spencer.
Geneva, Trinity Church, William S. De Zeng, Charles D. Cooper.
Orange County. *Goshen*, St. James' Church, George D. Wickham.
Newburgh, St. George's Church, Alexander Falls, Oliver Davis, William Scott.
Walden, St. Andrew's Church, George Weller.
Oswego County. *Constantia*, Trinity Church, Nicholas I. Roosevelt.
Oswego, Christ Church, James Ransom.
Otsego County. *Cooperstown*, Christ Church, J. Fennimore Cooper.
Louisville, Zion Church, L. L. Noble.
Queen's County. *Cold Spring Harbor*, St. John's Church, Charles Hewlett, Walter R. Jones.
Flushing, St. George's Church, Robert Carter.
Hallet's Cove, St. George's Church, H. Baylies, John Field.
Hempstead, St. George's Church, Benjamin Tredwell.
Jamaica, Grace Church, Walter Nichols, Samuel Welling.
Manhasset, Christ Church, Samuel L. Hewlett, Isaac U. Townsend.
Newtown, St. James' Church, John Waters.
Rensselaer County. *Troy*, Christ Church, Samuel Dauchy.
St. John's Church, Francis N. Mann, John H. Willard, C. S. J. Goodrich.
St. Paul's Church, Stephen Warren.
Richmond County. *Richmond*, St. Andrew's Church, James W. Johnson.
Tompkinsville, St. Paul's Church, Archibald Gordon, Absalom G. Dixon, Albert Ward.
Saratoga County. *Waterford*, Grace Church, John Knickerbacker.
Schenectady County. *Schenectady*, St. George's Church, David Hearsey, James M. Bouch.
Ulster County. *Kingston*, St. John's Church, Samuel M. Olden.
Ulster, Trinity Church, Henry Barclay, Abraham Persons.
Washington County. *Hampton*, Christ Church, Samuel Beman.
Westchester County. *Bedford*, St. Matthew's Church, Erastus D. Brown, John Jay.
Mamaroneck, St. Thomas' Church, Garrit Vermilye.
New-Rochelle, Trinity Church, Isaac U. Coles, John Soulice, George Case.
North Salem, St. James' Church, Joshua Purdy, Samuel Field.
Rye, Christ Church, Hackaliah Brown, David Brooks.
Sing Sing, St. Paul's Church, James Smith.
Tarrytown, Christ Church, Nathaniel B. Holmes, Charles F. Smith.
Westchester, St. Peter's Church, Francis Baretto, William A. Spencer.
White Plains, Grace Church, Augustus Proal, John N. Flanderow.
Yonkers, St. John's Church, Abraham Valentine, John Bowne.

The following gentlemen of the Clergy, entitled to seats, were not present at the Convention :—

Rev. Jasper Adams, D. D.
 " William Allanson,
 " Edward Andrews,
 " Henry S. Attwater,
 " William Baker,
 " Lewis P. W. Balch,
 " Amos G. Baldwin,
 " William Barlow,
 " John Bayley,

Rev. Seth W. Beardsley,
 " William W. Bostwick,
 " Lucius Carter,
 " Joseph H. Colt,
 " Ebenezer H. Cressey,
 " Alexander H. Crosby,
 " George Dennison,
 " Edmund Embury,
 " George B. Engle,

Rev. Edward K. Fowler,

" John H. Gallagher,
 " John M. Garfield,
 " Isaac Garvin,
 " John D. Gilbert,
 " David Griffith,
 " Humphrey Hollis,
 " Reuben Hubbard,
 " Aaron Humphrey,
 " Nathaniel Huse,
 " Thomas S. Judd,
 " Bethel Judd, D. D.
 " James Keeler,
 " Ezra B. Kellogg,
 " Darwin B. Mason, M. D.
 " Thomas Meacham,
 " Kendrick Metcalf,
 " Thomas Morris,
 " Rufus Murray,
 " George H. Norton,
 " John D. Ogilby,
 " Henry Peck,

Rev. Marcus A. Perry,

" Nathaniel O. Preston,
 " Thomas C. Reed,
 " Ferdinand Rogers,
 " Thomas J. Ruger,
 " John F. Schroeder, D. D.
 " Charles Seabury,
 " Richard Smith,
 " Erastus Spalding,
 " Isaac Swort,
 " William Tatham,
 " Lewis Thibou, jun.
 " James Thompson,
 " Amos C. Treadway,
 " John V. Van Ingen,
 " Thomas Warner,
 " Nathaniel Watkins,
 " William M. Weber, M. D.
 " Russel Wheeler,
 " Marshall Whiting,
 " Gordon Winslow.

The following gentlemen of the Clergy, not entitled to seats as members, were present at the sittings of the Convention :—

Right Rev. Levi S. Ives, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of North Carolina.

Right Rev. Jackson Kemper, D. D., Missionary Bishop of Missouri, &c.

Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, D. D., Rev. William C. Mead, D. D., Rev. Joseph H. Nichols, of Connecticut.

Rev. Samuel Haskell, of New-York.

Rev. John M. Ward, Rev. James H. Williams, Rev. Frederick Ogilby, Rev. Samuel A. Warner, of New Jersey.

Rev. James Abercrombie, D. D., Rev. Benjamin Dorr, D. D., Rev. E. Wilson Wiltbank, of Pennsylvania.

Rev. Samuel S. Lewis, of Alabama.

Rev. Robert Dyce, Rev. Joseph H. Saunders, of Florida.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

NEW-YORK, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1838.

THIS being the day fixed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York, for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the same, the Right Rev. Benjamin Tredwell Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, with a large number of the Clergy and Laity, assembled at 10 o'clock, A. M. in Trinity Church, in the City of New-York, the place appointed by the Bishop for the meeting.

Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Lucius Smith, assisted by the Rev. Samuel Seabury, D. D., and a sermon was preached by the Rev. Manton Eastburn, D. D. The Bishop then admitted Mr. James Abercrombie, of Maryland, to the Holy Order of Deacons, and administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, in which he was assisted by the Right Rev. Bishops Ives, Kemper, and the Rev. Dr. Lyell.

The Convention was then called to order by the Bishop, and on motion, it was

Resolved, That the Right Rev. Bishop Ives, of North Carolina, and the Right Rev. Bishop Kemper, the Missionary Bishop, be invited to attend the sittings of this Convention, and that chairs be provided for them on the right and left of the President; whereupon the Bishops were introduced by the President and took their seats.

The Secretary of the last Convention then proceeded, under the Bishop's direction, to call the names of such of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York, as by the Constitution are entitled to seats in the Convention; when the following gentlemen answered to their names and took their seats as members: viz.—

Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., the Rev. Norman H. Adams, Henry Anthon, D. D., Deodatus Babcock, Liberty A. Barrows, Lewis P. Bayard, D. D., Amos B. Beach, William Berrian, D. D., Moore Bingham, James A. Bolles, Robert Bolton, Johnson A. Brayton, Thomas S. Brittan, John Brown, John W. Brown, Edward C. Bull, Nathan B. Burgess, Leverett Bush, Rich-

ard F. Burnham, Robert Campbell, James D. Carder, William M. Carmichael, Lawson Carter, Peter S. Chauncey, Joseph T. Clark, Orange Clark, D. D., James Coghlau, Thomas W. Coit, William C. Cooley, Richard Cox, William Creighton, D. D., William A. Curtis, Edward Davis, Samuel C. Davis, John Dowdney, jun., Palmer Dyer, Manton Eastburn, D. D., William Eigenbrodt, Benjamin Evans, John M. Forbes, Alexander Frazer, Samuel Fuller, Kingston Goddard, Frederick J. Goodwin, Charles W. Hackley, Benjamin I. Haight, Benjamin Hale, D. D., Robert W. Harris, Abram B. Hart, Frederick W. Hatch, Francis L. Hawks, D. D., Edward Y. Higbee, Origen P. Holcomb, John Hughes, David Huntington, Pierre P. Irving, Hiram Jelliff, Evan M. Johnson, William L. Johnson, Lot Jones, Ravaud Kearny, William I. Kipp, John Knill, William Lucas, Thomas Lyell, D. D., Charles M'Cabe, John M'Carty, Stephen M'Hugh, John M'Vicar, D. D., Thomas Mallaby, Edward N. Mead, James Milnor, D. D., Timothy Minor, David Moore, William Morris, Samuel Nichols, George Ogle, Isaac Pardee, Alfred H. Partridge, Isaac Peck, Joseph F. Phillips, Alonzo Potter, D. D., Horatio Potter, D. D., Jesse Pound, William Powell, Augustine P. Prevost, Joseph H. Price, Pierre A. Proal, Joseph Ransom, John Reed, D. D., William Richmond, Seth S. Rogers, Samuel Seabury, D. D., George A. Shelton, William Shelton, D. D., Isaac Sherwood, Renben Sherwood, Richard C. Shimeall, Aldert Smedes, Hugh Smith, D. D., Lucius Smith, Orsamus H. Smith, Cyrus Stebbins, D. D., Henry L. Storrs, Thomas H. Taylor, D. D., Anthony Ten Broeck, William B. Thomas, Frederick T. Tiffany, Thomas Towell, Samuel H. Turner, D. D., Robert B. Van Kleeck, Antoine Verren, Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D., William H. Walter, William Walton, Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., William R. Whittingham, D. D.

The Churches of the Diocese were then called in order, when the following gentlemen appeared as Lay Delegates and took their seats : viz. from

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Albany,	St. Paul's, Albany,	Harman Pease.
Chenango,	St. Peter's, Bainbridge,	Elisha Bishop.
	St. Paul's, Oxford,	Benjamin Butler.
		Erastus Perkins.
Clinton,	Trinity, Plattsburgh,	James Bailey.
Columbia,	Christ, Hudson,	Jonathan Stott,
		Cyrus Cuffis.
Dutchess,	St. James', Hyde Park,	David Collins, Jun.
	St. Peters, Lithgow,	Homer Wheaton.
	Christ, Poughkeepsie,	William T. Belden.
	St. Paul's, "	John P. Clark.
	Zion, Wappinger's Creek,	James Ingham.
Erie,	St. Paul's, Buffalo,	R. H. Heywood.
Greene,	Calvary, Cairo,	Henry E. Hotchkiss.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Greene, Jefferson, Kings,	Christ, Greenville, Zion, Pierrepont Manor, Christ, Brooklyn, St. Ann's " St. John's, " St. Mary's, " St. Paul's, Flatbush, St. Mark's, Williamsb'gh,	Reuben Rundal, jun. William C. Pierrepont. Richard M. White. Nicholas Luquer. Thomas T. Chew. Ezekiel Ostrander. John Blunt. James B. Bach. John Hammell. Matthew Clarkson. A. Norrie. Ebenezer Griffin. Ephraim Cooke.
Livingston, Monroe,	St. John's, Mt. Morris, Grace, Rochester, St. Luke's, "	Charles H. Carroll. Elisha B. Strong. Jonathan Child. Thomas H. Rochester. E. Darwin Smith,
Montgomery, New-York,	St. Ann's, Port Jackson, All Saints', New-York, Annunciation, " Ascension, " Calvary, " Christ, " Grace, " Messiah, " St. Andrew's, " St. Bartholomew's, " St. Clement's, " St. George's, " St. Luke's, "	D. P. Corey. James Burges. Robert S. Bartow. William Stebbins. Fanning C. Tucker. Cornelius Oakley. Murray Hoffman. Abel T. Anderson. Charles Denroche. Napoleon B. Mountfort. William M. Price. Theophilus Bleecker. Thomas L. Wells. P. Augus' Schermerhorn. Isaac A. Johnson. Thomas Noble. Lewis Morris. Guy C. Bayley. Samuel Jones. Watson E. Lawrence. S. Cambreling. William S. Popham. William H. Mott. Andrew Pollock. John Stearns. William Whitlock, Jun. Brittan L. Woolley. James I. Hoyt. Henry Ritter. Floyd Smith. John R. Satterlee.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
New-York,	St. Luke's, New-York,	C. N. S. Rowland. Henry I. Seaman.
	St. Mark's, "	Peter G. Stuyvesant. Gerardus Clark. James Heard.
	St. Michael's, "	Isaac Carrow. James F. De Peyster.
	St. Peter's, "	James Macdonald, Clement C. Moore. John D. Ogden.
		Reuben Spencer. Edmund Hurry. B. B. Howell.
	St. Stephen's, "	Daniel Mersereau. Benjamin Loder.
	St. Thomas', "	William H. Jephson.
	St. Timothy's, "	Charles A. Focke.
	Trinity, "	Thomas L. Ogden. William Johnson. Nehemiah Rogers.
	Zion, "	Benjamin M. Brown. John Graff. Frederick Pentz.
		William Thorne. William Hinton.
	Oneida, Trinity, Utica,	Elisha Wells. Chester Griswold.
Onondaga, Ontario,	Zion, Onondaga,	Charles D. Easton.
	St. John's, Canandaigua, Trinity, Geneva,	John C. Spencer. William S. De Zeng.
Orange,	St. James', Goshen,	Charles D. Cooper, George D. Wickham.
	St. George's, Newburgh,	Alexander Falls. Oliver Davis. William Scott.
Oswego,	St. Andrew's, Walden,	George Weller.
	Trinity, Constantia,	Nicholas I. Roosevelt.
Otsego,	Christ, Oswego,	James Ransom.
	Zion, Louisville,	L. L. Noble.
Queens,	St. George's, Hallet's Cove,	H. Baylies. John Field.
	Grace, Jamaica,	Walter Nichols. Samuel Welling.
Rensselaer,	Christ, Manhasset,	Samuel L. Hewlett.
	St. John's, Troy,	John H. Willard.
	St. Paul's, "	Stephen Warren.
Richmond,	St. Andrew's, Richmond,	James W. Johnson.
	St. Paul's, Tompkinsville,	Archibald Gordon. Absalom G. Dixon.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Richmond,	St. Paul's, Tompkinsville,	Albert Ward.
Saratoga,	Grace, Waterford,	John Knickerbacker.
Schenectady,	St. George's, Schenectady,	David Hearsey.
		James W. N. Bouck.
Ulster,	St. John's, Kingston,	Samuel W. Olden,
	Trinity, Ulster,	Henry Barclay.
		Abraham Parsons.
Washington,	Christ, Hampton,	Samuel Beman.
Westchester,	St. Matthew's, Bedford,	Erastus D. Brown.
		John Jay.
	St. Thomas', Mamaron'k,	Garrit Vermilye.
	Trinity, New Rochelle,	Isaac U. Coles.
		John Soulice.
		George Case.
	St. James', North Salem,	Joshua Purdy.
		Samuel Field.
	Christ, Rye,	Hackaliah Brown.
		David Brooks.
	St. Paul's, Sing Sing,	James Smith.
	Christ, Tarrytown,	Nathaniel B. Holmes.
		Charles F. Smith.
	St. Peter's, Westchester,	Francis Baretto.
		William A. Spencer.
	Grace, White Plains,	Augustus Proal.
	St. John's, Yonkers,	Abraham Valentine:

The Convention then proceeded to the appointment of a Secretary. A vote by ballot was, on motion, unanimously dispensed with, when the Rev. Dr. Hawks was nominated and appointed.

The Secretary announced to the house that he had appointed the Rev. Benjamin I. Haight his assistant.

The Chair then announced the following Standing Committees:

On the Incorporation of Churches.

John C. Spencer, Esq., Rev. Mr. M'Carty, Hon. Samuel Jones.

On the Diocesan Fund.

Rev. Dr. Bayard, Rev. Orsamus H. Smith; Messrs. C. N. S. Rowland, and William S. De Zeng.

On the Treasurer's Report.

Messrs. Matthew Clarkson, C. C. Moore, and Isaac Carow.

On the Theological Seminary.

Rev. Dr. Creighton, Rev. Mr. Proal, and Messrs. Stephen Warren, William H. Price, and Dr. M'Donald.

The hour of adjournment, according to the rules of order, having arrived, the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

FRIDAY MORNING, 9 O'CLOCK.

The Convention met. Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Frederick W. Hatch, after which the Bishop took the chair.

At the calling of the roll, the following clergymen not present yesterday answered to their names, viz., Rev. Charles G. Acly, George B. Andrews, Benjamin C. Cutler, D. D., Henry Gregory, Cicero S. Hawks, Daniel S. Lewis, Solon W. Manney, Robert Shaw, Foster Thayer, William F. Walker, and Phineas L. Whipple. Also the following Lay Delegates :

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Albany,	St. Paul's, Albany,	S. De Witt Bloodgood.
Cayuga,	St. Peter's, Auburn,	E. Humphrey.
Dutchess,	Christ, Poughkeepsie,	James Emmott.
King's,	Christ, Brooklyn,	Edward W. Dunham.
	St. Ann's, "	F. T. Peet.
New-York,	All Saints', New-York,	Thomas S. Underhill.
	Christ, "	Elijah Guion.
	Messiah, "	Matthew Keeler.
	St. Thomas', "	Augustus Cornwall.
		William C. Carter.
	Zion, "	Isaac Lawrence.
Queen's,	St. George, Hallet's Cove,	David Hadden.
	Christ, Manhasset,	Smith Barker.
	St. James', Newtown,	John Field.
Rensselaer,	St. John's, Troy,	Isaac W. Townsend.
		John Waters.
		C. S. J. Goodrich.
		Francis N. Mann.
Westchester,	Grace, White Plains,	John N. Flanderas.
	St. John's, Yonkers,	John Bowne.

The following gentlemen then presented certificates, answered to their names, and took their seats :

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Dutchess,	St. Paul's, Red Hook,	Cambridge Livingston.
	Trinity, Fishkill,	Gulian C. Verplanck.
	St. Anna's, Fishkill Land-	
		[ing, Robert Gill.
Greene,	St. Luke's, Catskill,	Charles S. Willard.
King's,	St. Paul's, Brooklyn,	John Low.
Livingston,	St. John's, Mt. Morris,	Henry Swan.
Oneida,	St. Stephen's, New Hart-	
		[ford, Thomas Briggs.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Oneida,	Grace, Utica,	Eli Maynard.
Otsego,	Christ, Cooperstown,	James Fenimore Cooper.
Queen's,	St. John's, Cold Spring [Harbor,	Charles Hewlett, Walter R. Jones.
	St. George's, Flushing,	Robert Carter.
Rensselaer,	Christ, Troy,	Samuel Dauchy.
Wayne,	St. John's, Sodus,	Jonathan Warner.

The Bishop announced, that by the 16th Rule of Order, clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention, clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and Professors and Students of Theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, were admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

The Committee on the Incorporation of Churches presented the following Report:

The Committee to which were referred the certificates of the Incorporation of Churches, desiring to be admitted into the Convention, respectfully report:

That, according to the certificates submitted to them, the following Churches have been duly incorporated according to law; viz.,

St. Stephen's Church, in the village of Fonda, (Montgomery county.)

Trinity Church, in Cherry Valley, (Otsego county.)

Trinity Church, Lowville, (Lewis county.)

St. Paul's Church, Whitehall, (Washington county.)

St. John's Church, in the village of Huntington, (Suffolk county.)

In the case of St. Peter's Chapel, in the village of Peekskill, the certificate does not state that the meeting of the congregation was called for the purpose of incorporating themselves. The objection has heretofore been considered fatal, and your Committee think it would be unsafe for any Church to consider itself duly incorporated, with such an omission in its certificate.

In the case of St. Timothy's Church, in the village and town of Westford, (county of Otsego,) the execution of the certificate by one only of its signers is proved. The statute requires that its execution by the *three* signers shall be proved or acknowledged.

In the case of St. Mark's Church, in the village of Hoosack Falls, the same persons were chosen Wardens, and also were chosen Vestrymen, thus leaving only six Vestrymen. There should be eight.

In the case of Calvary Church, North Hill, in Schroepel, Oswego county, the certificate is proved by two of the signers as subscribing witnesses. The Committee are of opinion that one of the certifiers cannot be a subscribing witness.

J. C. SPENCER,
J. M'CARTY,
S. JONES.

The question being put separately upon the admission into union with this Convention of each of the Churches reported by the Committee to be regularly incorporated, they were received

by the Convention. Whereupon the following **Lay Delegates** appeared and took their seats :

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Montgomery,	St. Stephen's, Fonda,	Philip Reynolds. Charles M'Vean.
Lewis,	Trinity, Lowville,	Richard H. Cushney. Kent Jarvis.

The Bishop then, in compliance with the Canon, delivered the following

ADDRESS.

MY BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY,—

IN the equal pastoral relation which I sustain to the whole Diocese, I have endeavored, as God gave me ability, to discharge towards the whole, the pastoral relations through the past year; and have been sustained in their accomplishment, and in other duties connected with my office, through journeyings to the amount of nearly five thousand miles. Besides other pastoral offices, as occasion was given and need required, I have preached two hundred and five times, and forty-two times administered the sacrament of the LORD'S Supper. I have also continued the custom mentioned in my last, of performing divine service, when in this city, on litany days, and all the holy days. On these occasions, I have generally been gratified with meeting some of my reverend brethren; and I would again affectionately suggest, that such meetings for prayer may be surely hoped to be spiritually profitable to us as individuals, sources of blessing to the Church, and means of an increase of fraternal affection for each other.

The duties performed in appointments made for more especial episcopal purposes, have been as follows :—

On the day next after the rising of the last Convention, the twentieth Sunday after Trinity, October 8, I instituted the Rev. William Richmond into the office of Rector of Zion Church in this city; and at an ordination, held at the same time, admitted Ebenezer H. Cressey to Deacon's Orders, and the Rev. Johnson A. Brayton, Deacon, missionary at Norwich, Chenango county, to the Priesthood.

Mr. Cressey is the rector of Christ Church, Lockport, Niagara county; and Mr. Brayton, having relinquished the above mission.

where he is succeeded by the Rev. Liberty A. Barrows, is missionary at Hamilton, Madison county.

Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity, October 15, consecrated St. John's Church, Johnstown, *Montgomery (now Fulton) county*, and administered the Communion; and in the afternoon confirmed five therein.

In my last address, I noticed the destruction by fire of the former venerable Church of this parish. The present one is a very beautiful Gothic edifice of stone; and the vestry were enabled thus to restore the house of God, principally by having taken the wise precaution of effecting insurance on the burnt edifice,—a measure, I would again say, that ought uniformly to be adopted by our vestries.

In the evening, preached in the Court-House at Fonda.

Tuesday, October 17, in Emmanuel Church, Little Falls, *Herkimer county*, admitted the Rev. John Knill, Deacon, the Missionary there, to Priest's Orders; and preached again in the evening.

Mr. Knill has since resigned this station, and removed to that at Port Jackson, Montgomery county, and West Charlton, Saratoga county, which was relinquished by the Rev. Timothy Minor, who has become the Missionary at Cherry Valley and Westford, Otsego county; the station at Little Falls and Mohawk being supplied by the Rev. Thomas Towell.

Thursday, October 19, in Trinity Church, *Utica*, admitted Thomas J. Ruger and William Baker to Deacon's Orders; and in the evening, confirmed twenty-eight.

Mr. Ruger is the missionary at Sherburne, Chenango county, where he succeeds the Rev. Liberty A. Barrows; and Mr. Baker, at Fairfield and Norway, Herkimer county, a station resigned by the Rev. William Tatham, who removed to the charge of Grace Church, Canton, St. Lawrence county.¹

In the afternoon of the same day, in the same city, baptized two adults.

Friday, 20, in St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, *Oneida county*, admitted the minister of the Church, the Rev. Samuel C. Davis, Deacon, to the Priesthood; and in the afternoon, confirmed ten; and at a later hour, at his residence, a sick member of the parish. Mr. Davis has since resigned this charge, where he is succeeded by the Rev. Henry L. Storrs, and become Rector of St. Mark's Church, Williamsburgh, King's county.

Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity, October 22, in Zion

Church, Louisville, *Otsego county*, baptized an infant, and preached in the morning; and in the afternoon, confirmed eleven.

Monday, 23, in Christ Church, Gilbertsville, admitted Humphrey Hollis to Deacon's Orders; and in the afternoon baptized an adult, and confirmed two.

Mr. Hollis is the missionary at South Danby, *Tompkins county*, and Candor, *Tioga county*.

Tuesday, 24, in Christ Church, Walton, *Delaware county*, baptized two adults, and preached.

Wednesday, 25, in St. John's Church, Delhi, admitted Servilius Stocking to Deacon's Orders.

Mr. Stocking has since removed to the Diocese of Connecticut.

Thursday, 26, in the morning, confirmed eight in St. Peter's Church, Hobart, and preached there again in the afternoon.

Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity, October 29, instituted the Reverend Frederick W. Hatch into the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Poughkeepsie, *Dutchess county*; and in the afternoon, confirmed five in the same Church.

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity, November 5, in St. John's Church, *Brooklyn*, admitted the Rev. William P. Page, Deacon, Missionary at Geneseo, *Livingston county*, to the Priesthood.

Mr. Page has since relinquished his mission, and hoping thereby to improve his health, has accepted, with my sanction, a traveling agency in behalf of public schools in this state.

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity, November 12, in St. Paul's Church, East Chester, *Westchester county*, admitted the Rev. Robert Bolton, Deacon, the minister of the parish, to the Priesthood; and in the afternoon, confirmed six.

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Trinity, November 19, instituted the Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck into the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church, *Troy*, and preached in the afternoon in St. John's Church; and in the evening, in the temporary chapel of Christ Church.

Mr. Van Kleeck had resigned the Rectorship of St. George's Church, Flushing, *Queen's county*, where he is succeeded by the Rev. Frederick J. Goodwin.

Friday, December 1, in St. Bartholomew's Church, *New-York*, admitted Thomas Towell, Principal of the Utica Academy, to the Holy Order of Deacons. He is now the missionary at Little Falls, and Mohawk, *Herkimer county*.

Advent Sunday, December 3, in St. Peter's Church, *Brooklyn*, where I was happy to meet a very orderly congregation of

colored persons, the parish being composed of such, who bore their part in the service with exemplary propriety, I confirmed six. This congregation, when not visited by a clergyman, is supplied with the services of a licensed colored lay-reader.

Wednesday, 6, in Trinity Church, *New-York*, admitted John Scovill to the Order of Deacons. Mr. Scovill is now the minister of Christ Church, *Greeneville*, and the assistant minister of St. Paul's Church, *Oakhill*, *Greene county*.

Third Sunday in Advent, December 17, confirmed 29 in Grace Church.

First Sunday after the Epiphany, January 7, in the same Church, admitted to the Order of Deacons, John D. Ogilby, A. M., Professor of Greek and Latin in Rutgers College, *New Brunswick*, *New Jersey*.

Second Sunday after the Epiphany, January 14, confirmed 32 in All Saints' Church.

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany, January 28, confirmed three in the temporary Chapel of the Church of the Nativity.

Septuagesima Sunday, February 11, confirmed four in St. Mary's Church, *Brooklyn*.

Sexagesima Sunday, February 18, in St. George's Church, *Flushing*, *Queen's county*, instituted the Rev. Frederick J. Goodwin into the rectorship of the parish; and in the afternoon confirmed eleven.

In the evening, preached in the chapel of the Flushing Institute.

Previously to the morning service, at the request of the rector of St. George's, I visited his Sunday school, and delivered a short address to the teachers and scholars.

Thursday, February 22, consecrated St. Peter's Church, *New-York*. This splendid Gothic edifice is the completion of the design commenced six years before, by the erection of St. Peter's Chapel on the same lot, of which the consecration was reported to the Convention in my address of 1832. The chapel is still to remain for the purposes contemplated at its erection, in the event, now happily accomplished, of the building of the parish Church; that is, for week day services, and Sunday school and other catechetical exercises. And I would again express my entire approval of having a duly constructed and consecrated chapel for such purposes, in preference to the buildings or apartments usually termed *lecture rooms*. This may seem to be a somewhat hyper-

critical distinction. I think, however, that it is not so. A strange idea appears to be more or less prevalent, that the wholesome provisions of the Church for public worship are binding only in consecrated buildings: and if a minister officiates elsewhere, in a lecture-room, for instance, he may either discard these provisions altogether, or bend them, by curtailments, alterations, and additions, to his own will. It ought however to be borne in mind, that our canons and rubrics enforcing the daily morning and evening prayer, have no specific reference to consecrated buildings, but to *public worship*—that is, to occasions on which all who choose are at liberty, and are expected, to come, for the purpose of worship, wherever it may be celebrated. It is not true, therefore, that the use of an unconsecrated place for public worship furnishes any exemption from the discharge of the minister's pledged obligation to conform to the *worship of the Church*; and the reasons which apply to the stated services of Sunday, in favor of their being celebrated in a place hallowed by consecration to the Lord, and fitted to produce solemn impressions on the mind through the medium of the senses, certainly do not lose their force on those occasions of public worship—in some parishes nearly as frequent as those of Sunday morning and afternoon—for which a smaller apartment may be thought more convenient. I cannot but express the hope, that the example in this matter first set by the parish of which I am now speaking, and followed by that of the Nativity in New-York, and Trinity Church, Utica, and more recently by St. Mark's Church, Williamsburgh, will be generally followed throughout the diocese, where it may be deemed advisable to have services held elsewhere than in the parish Church.

Quinquagesima Sunday, February 25, confirmed 20 in St. Bartholomew's Church.

Second Sunday in Lent, March 11, confirmed 17 in Calvary Church.

Monday, March 19, laid the corner stone of the Chapel of the Church of the Nativity, the former edifice of the same name having been destroyed by fire.

Fifth Sunday in Lent, April 1, in Grace Church, admitted to the Order of Priests, the Rev. John D. Ogilby, Deacon, Professor of Greek and Latin in Rutgers College, New Brunswick, New Jersey; and also his brother, the Rev. Frederick Ogilby, Deacon of the Diocese of New Jersey, but assisting the Rector of Grace

Church. The ordination of the latter was at the request, and on the behalf, of the Bishop of New Jersey.

Sunday next before Easter, April 8, confirmed 60 in St. Philip's Church, of which the rector and congregation are colored persons.

First Sunday after Easter, April 22, confirmed 17 in the temporary Chapel of the Church of the Messiah.

Festival of St. Mark the Evangelist, Wednesday, April 25, in the Chapel of Christ Church, *Brooklyn*, admitted the Rev. Kingston Goddard, Deacon, elected rector of the parish, to the Priesthood.

Second Sunday after Easter, April 29, confirmed 58 in St. Ann's Church.

Third Sunday after Easter, May 6, in the morning, confirmed 60 in St. Paul's Church, *Troy*. These were candidates from all the three parishes in Troy; and I was much gratified in having it so. Opportunities of confirmation in neighboring Churches ought never to be neglected by those duly prepared for that holy ordinance; and when a conveniently accessible confirmation is expected within a reasonable time, approach to the Lord's Table should be postponed until the reception of that rite. It would be taking both an erroneous and injurious view of confirmation, to regard it, in any degree, in the light of a mere agency for the getting up of a local temporary excitement, or the making of a fair show. The preparation of the young for confirmation should be a part of the pastor's constant work. From the earliest teaching of the catechism to little children, he should carry them through elucidations and explanations of it adapted to their gradually increasing age, until they are "sufficiently instructed" therein to enable them understandingly to ratify and confirm their baptismal promise and vow, and give satisfactory evidence of meet preparation for so solemn an act; and then they should be presented for confirmation at the first convenient opportunity. On this occasion it gave me great pleasure to be favored with the company of my Rt. Rev. Brother, the Bishop of Vermont, who kindly took part in the services of the morning, and at subsequent periods of the day favored different congregations of our brethren in that city, with his godly instructions from the pulpit.

In the afternoon, confirmed 23 in Trinity Church, *Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county*.

Monday, 7, confirmed two in Trinity Church, West Troy, *Albany county*.

Tuesday, 8, baptized two adults, and confirmed 5, in St. John's Church, Cohoes.

Wednesday, 9, preached in Grace Church, Waterford, *Saratoga county*, and visited a sick member of the parish.

Thursday, 10, laid the corner stone of Christ Church, Troy, of which the parish, in the uncommon strength of its early promise, bids fair to sustain the well-earned reputation of the Episcopalians of that city for enterprise and liberality in the cause of the Church.

Friday, 11, in the morning, baptized two children, and confirmed one person in the temporary chapel of St. Mark's Church, Hoo-sack Falls, *Rensselaer county*. I cannot but applaud the very judicious course pursued by the vestry of this parish, in providing for the decent and comfortable performance of public worship. The parish was unable to incur the expense of a proper site, and such a church as, in due time, it will probably be both right and necessary for them to have. They procured a lot, having on it a dwelling house affording a comfortable residence for a clergyman with a small family, and a larger building, which, at a very moderate expense, has been fitted up into a neat and convenient little chapel, sufficient for their present needs. These are all *paid for*; and the reasonable hope is cherished, that by the divine blessing on the ministrations for which provision is thus made, the day is not far distant, when this humble chapel will be superseded by a church of ample dimensions, and duly ornamental; while the prudent and judicious course hitherto pursued, gives the most satisfactory confidence that *it too will be paid for*, and thus be honestly theirs, and therefore in a fit condition to be appropriated and devoted to the Lord. I would that my brethren of the Diocese would lay to heart the grievous evils that grow out of undue expenditure on houses of public worship—evils materially affecting the Church at large, and not a little the moral reputation of the corporations and individuals particularly concerned.

In the evening, preached in the Presbyterian Church, Scaghticoke Point.

Fourth Sunday after Easter, May 13, in the morning baptized an infant, confirmed two persons, and administered the communion in St. John's Church, Stillwater, *Saratoga County*.

In the afternoon, confirmed two in St. Luke's Church, Mechanicsville.

Tuesday, 15, in the morning, laid the corner stone of St. Paul's Church, Whitehall, *Washington county*.

In the afternoon, confirmed 11 for that parish, in the Presbyterian Church of the village.

Thursday, 17, in the morning, preached in St. James' Church, Milton, *Saratoga county*.

In the evening, preached in Christ Church, Ballston Spa.

Friday, 18, confirmed seven in St. Paul's Church, Charlton.

Saturday, 19, in the morning, preached in St. Mary's Church, West Charlton.

In the afternoon, confirmed one in St. Ann's Church, Port Jackson, *Montgomery county*.

Fifth Sunday after Easter, or Rogation Sunday, May 20, in the morning, confirmed seven in Christ Church, Duaneburgh, *Schenectady county*, and subsequently a sick member of the parish at his residence.

In the afternoon, baptized four children, and preached in the same Church.

Tuesday, 22, in the morning, baptized seven adults, and preached in Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, *Albany county*.

In the afternoon, confirmed 12 in the same Church.

I was happy to perceive in this parish the most gratifying evidence of the value and efficacy which, by the divine blessing, attend faithful nurturing in those sound principles of the gospel which, not separating what God has joined, do full justice to the nature, the claims, and the blessed privileges of the Christian Church. The Rev. Samuel Fuller, with a constancy and fidelity worthy of note in this age of pastoral restlessness and change, having been for more than a quarter of a century the faithful guide and feeder of this flock, was compelled, several months before my visit, by the infirmities of advancing age, to abandon almost altogether the public duties of the ministry. There was no brother to take his place. Meanwhile, the most excited movements were in operation among the sects around, accompanied, as usual, with efforts to alienate the members of the Church from true attachment to their spiritual mother. *They*, however, by the divine blessing on the labors of the faithful man of God who had been placed over them, had so learned Christ as to believe in Him, to trust in Him, and to receive Him, in his revealed con-

nexion with the Church. In the necessary absence of public pastoral services, they *continued together* by those of lay readers, and under the good nurturing of the Liturgy of the Church, and by the published sermons of her ministers, added to the private pastoral attentions, as health and strength permitted, of their venerable rector, presented, at my visitation, the condition rarely surpassed, in small country parishes, of the abovementioned well prepared candidates for baptism and for confirmation.

Wednesday, 23, confirmed one in St. Paul's Church, Oakhill, *Greene county*.

Festival of the Ascension, Thursday, May 24, confirmed one in Christ Church, *Greeneville*.

Friday, 25, in Calvary Church, Cairo, in the morning, confirmed three.

In the afternoon, preached again.

Sunday after Ascension, May 27, in Trinity Church, Windham, preached in the morning.

In the afternoon, confirmed ten.

Monday, 28, in the evening, preached in St. John's Church, Delhi, *Delaware county*.

Tuesday, 29, in the afternoon, confirmed eight in Christ Church, Walton.

Wednesday, 30, in St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, *Otsego county*, in the morning, admitted the Rev. George B. Engle, Deacon, missionary at Fayetteville and Pompey, Onondaga county, to Priests' Orders. Mr. Engle has since removed to the station at Fulton, Oswego county, and Baldwinsville, Onondaga county.

In the afternoon, confirmed seven.

Thursday, 31, in Christ Church, Gilbertsville, in the morning, baptized four adults, and confirmed twelve; and preached again in the afternoon.

Friday, June 1, went to the town of Burlington, for the purpose of visiting the vacant parish of Christ Church. It pained me, however, to find, that, with the exception of two or three devoted females, there was so much of indifference, or of despair, among the few remaining Episcopalians, touching the interests of the Church here, that no arrangements had been made for service, and none, consequently, was held. The parish, therefore, I am grieved to say, must be regarded as virtually extinct.

Whit-Sunday, June 3, in Christ Church, Cooperstown, baptized eight adults, confirmed 23, and administered the Commu-

nion ; in the afternoon, baptized three children and preached ; and in the evening preached again.

It grieved me to find the Rev. Frederick T. Tiffany, who, for eighteen years, had been the faithful and devoted pastor of this flock, entirely disabled, as he had been for many months, by bodily infirmity, for the discharge of pastoral duty. In the number of the adults, however, who were baptized, and of those confirmed, as well as of those who kept that high and holy festival by approaching the Lord's Table, I had most gratifying evidence of the substantial benefit which, by God's blessing, had attended his long continued ministrations among the same people in whose service his pastoral labors were commenced. I am happy to be able to add, that his health has materially improved.

Wednesday, 6, in Pleasant Valley, *Dutchess county*, for the parish of St. Paul's Church, which has no house of prayer, preached, in the morning in the Presbyterian, and in the afternoon in the Methodist Church.

Friday, 8, in Marlborough, *Ulster county*, for the similarly situated parish of Christ Church, confirmed two in the Methodist Church.

Trinity Sunday, June 10, in Trinity Church, Fishkill, *Dutchess county*, admitted to the priesthood the minister of the parish, the Rev. Richard F. Burnham, Deacon, who had removed into this diocese with letters of dismission from that of Pennsylvania ; and preached again in the afternoon.

Mr. Burnham herein succeeds the Rev. Colly A. Foster, Deacon, who has removed to the Diocese of Tennessee.

In the evening, confirmed 14 in St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing.

Tuesday, 12, in St. James' Church, Goshen, *Orange county*, admitted to the priesthood the Rev. Thomas Mallaby, Deacon, the minister of the parish.

In the afternoon, confirmed eight.

Thursday, 14, confirmed thirteen in St. John's Church, Monticello, *Sullivan county*.

Saturday, 16, consecrated St. Peter's Chapel, Peekskill, *Westchester county*, and baptized therein an adult.

In the afternoon, confirmed six therein.


Many of the older members of the Convention probably recollect that this Diocese has had connected with it, ever since its first organization, the Parish of St. Peter's Church, Peekskill, having a

temple erected several years before the revolutionary war. For a long time past, however, the occasions on which it has been opened for divine service have been few and far between, and have had their solemnity and effect materially diminished by the ruinous and uncomfortable condition of that ancient edifice. The neat chapel, of which I have just noticed the consecration, stands in a more convenient part of the parish, and promises fair, I am happy to say, to revive therein the interests of the Church, with all their blessed influences on individual, social, and civil welfare. It would greatly facilitate this happy result, to have the old parish Church put in order—an event of which I am not willing to despair—that the faithful services of the pastor, the Rev. William C. Cooley, who has removed from West Troy, Albany county, where he is succeeded by the Rev. Daniel S. Lewis, Deacon, extending as well to the old church as the new chapel, may embrace within their influence a larger number.

First Sunday after Trinity, June 17, confirmed 16 in St. Andrew's Church, *New-York*.

On the 20th of June, and the two following days, I attended, in Boston, the Annual Meeting of the Board of Missions of our Church, and also highly enjoyed the opportunity of being present, as much as the business of the Board admitted, having been politely requested to be so, at the Convention of the Diocese of Massachusetts. It was evident that I was with a body composed of intelligent and devout members of the Church, heartily and understandingly desirous of promoting its interests. A great constitutional question was settled, much, I am sure, to the satisfaction of correctly thinking men—the independence of the Diocese of Massachusetts, as it respects all the rights secured to dioceses by the General Convention, notwithstanding its union with three other dioceses in the confederacy known as the Eastern Diocese; and its consequent right to elect for itself an assistant to the venerable Bishop of said Eastern Diocese, in his capacity as Bishop of Massachusetts.

On Monday, June 25, I attended, in this city, the Annual Meeting of the Managers of the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union; and on the same day, and daily, until the following Friday, inclusive, the Annual Meeting of the Trustees of our General Theological Seminary. During the week there occurred, also, the annual examination of the students before the attending bishops, and a committee of the trustees; and the Commencement of the



Seminary ; at which, held on the Festival of St. Peter the Apostle, Friday, June 29, twenty-six young men, being the then senior class, received the testimonial awarded by the trustees and professors to those who have satisfactorily pursued the whole course of studies, and thus became enrolled among the alumni of the institution—an honor correctly confined in this seminary to those who have completed the duties of its students.

Third Sunday after Trinity, July 1, in St. Mark's Church, *New-York*, ten of the young gentlemen, referred to above, were admitted to Deacons' Orders, viz. Tapping R. Chipman, Samuel Cooke, William E. Eigenbrodt, John B. Gallagher, William W. Hickox, Alfred H. Partridge, Samuel Penny, jun., John A. Spooner, Isaac Swart, and William Walton.

Mr. Chipman is officiating at Brockport, Monroe county. Mr. Cooke is the missionary at Lyons, Wayne county ; and Mr. Eigenbrodt the minister of St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenango county, which has been severed from the parochial charge of the Rev. Norman H. Adams, who now confines himself to his other parish, St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, Otsego county. Mr. Gallagher is the minister of St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, Onondaga county ; where he succeeds the Rev. Clement M. Butler, who, I learn from the public prints, has become Rector of Zion Church, Palmyra, Wayne county, vacated by the resignation of the Rev. John D. Gilbert, whom ill health compels, I am sorry to say, to suspend the exercise of the public functions of the ministry. Messrs. Hickox and Penny have removed to the Diocese of Rhode Island. Mr. Partridge is the assistant minister of St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, Westchester county. Mr. Spooner has been supplying the place of the Rev. Aldert Smedes, jun., rector of St. George's Church, Schenectady, whose safe return yesterday from an excursion to Europe for the benefit of his health, it gives me great pleasure here to record. Mr. Swart is the assistant minister of Christ Church, Cooperstown, Otsego county ; and Mr. Walton of John's Church, Yonkers, Westchester county.

In the afternoon, confirmed five, for the parish of St. Mark's Church, Williamsburgh, *King's county*, which was then without a house of prayer, in the justice's court-room in that village, the usual place of worship for the congregation.

Tuesday, 3, in All Saints' Church, *New-York*, admitted George Ogle to Deacons' Orders.

Mr. Ogle has been chosen to the temporary supply of Calvary Church, Homer, Courtlandt county ; whose rector, the Rev. Henry Gregory, is about going on an important agency for the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions.

Friday, 6, in St. George's Church, Flushing, *Queens county*, confirmed nine members of the Rev. Dr. Muhlenberg's, Flushing Institute.

In the afternoon, it gave me great pleasure to visit the buildings, then but partially completed, for the accommodation of St. Paul's College, at College Point, in the Town of Flushing. The building of the noble edifice, of which I mentioned in a former address my laying the corner stone, having advanced to nearly the completion of the foundation, was necessarily suspended in consequence of the very unfavorable change in the financial affairs of the country which took place about that time. The very neat and commodious edifice of wood of which I have just spoken, being now finished, is designed for the general accommodation of the college until the larger and more substantial one can be completed ; and then to be appropriated to primary departments.

Fourth Sunday after Trinity, July 8, in the morning, confirmed forty-nine in St. Andrew's Church, Richmond, *Richmond county* ; and in the afternoon, preached in Trinity Chapel, Factoryville, in the same parish. On each of these occasions, I was much pleased with an examination, by the rector, in the Church Catechism, during service, of an interesting class of catechumens.

Wednesday, 11, in St. Philip's Church, *New-York*, admitted Isaiah G. De Grasse, a young man of African extraction, whose examinations had evinced ample literary and theological attainment, to Deacons' Orders. Mr. De Grasse was immediately appointed to the charge of the Missionary station comprising the colored Episcopalians in the towns of Jamaica, Newtown, and Flushing, *Queen's county*.

Fifth Sunday after Trinity, July 15, in St. Paul's Church, Sing Sing, *Westchester county*, admitted Ebenezer Williams to Deacons' Orders ; and preached again in the afternoon.

Mr. Williams is the missionary at Hoosack Falls, *Rensselaer county* ; the former Missionary, the Rev. Nathaniel O. Preston, having removed to the Diocese of Vermont.

Seventh Sunday after Trinity, July 22, in the morning, confirmed 8, and administered the communion in St. Matthew's Church, *Bedford*.

In the afternoon, baptized an adult, and confirmed 3, in St. James' Church, North Salem.

Monday, 23, confirmed 2 in Christ Church, Patterson, *Putnam county*.

Tuesday, 24, confirmed 8 in Zion Church, Wappinger's Creek, *Dutchess county*.

Festival of St. James the Apostle, Wednesday, July 25, in Trinity Church, Athens, *Greene county*, admitted to Deacons' Orders Edward Reed, an alumnus of the General Theological Seminary.

Mr. Reed has removed to the Diocese of Tennessee.

Friday, 27, in the Presbyterian Church, Lowville, *Lewis county*, confirmed two. A parish has since been here organized.

Saturday, 28, in Christ Church, Sacket's Harbor, *Jefferson county*, in the morning, baptized an adult, and preached; in the afternoon, confirmed nine. I also, on the same day, in the same parish, baptized an adult in private.

Seventh Sunday after Trinity, July 29, in Trinity Church, Watertown, admitted the Rev. Charles G. Acly, Deacon, the minister of the parish, to the Priesthood; in the afternoon, confirmed fourteen; and preached again at night.

Tuesday, 31, for the parish of Grace Church, Canton, *St. Lawrence county*, where a church is now in the course of erection, confirmed one in the court-house.

Wednesday, August 1, in St. Paul's Church, Waddington, admitted Washington Philo to Deacons' Orders; and in the afternoon, baptized two adults, and confirmed thirteen.

Eighth Sunday after Trinity, August 5, in Christ Church, South Danby, *Tompkins county*, admitted the Rev. Humphrey Hollis, Deacon, the Missionary there, to the Priesthood; and in the afternoon confirmed four.

Monday, 6, for the parish of St. Paul's Church, Owego, *Tioga county*, confirmed nine, and administered the Communion, in the Presbyterian Church.

Tuesday, 7, in Trinity Church, Elmira, *Chemung county*, baptized five adults and one child, and confirmed fifteen.

In the evening, preached in St. James' Church, Jefferson.

Wednesday, 8, consecrated St. Mark's Church, Penn-Yan, *Yates county*; and in the afternoon, baptized therein an adult, and confirmed seven.

Friday, 10, consecrated St. Clement's Church, Wethersfield

Springs, *Genesee county*—a beautifully finished and furnished brick edifice for which we are mainly indebted to the liberality of two brothers—and administered the communion ; and in the afternoon, baptized therein a child, and preached again.

Ninth Sunday after Trinity, August 12, consecrated Grace Church, Lockport, *Niagara county* ; in the afternoon confirmed 4 therein ; and preached again in the evening.

Monday, 13, in Christ Church in the same village, admitted the Rev. Ebenezer H. Cressey, Deacon, its minister, to the priesthood ; and in the afternoon confirmed 10.

Tuesday, 14, in St Paul's Church, Lewiston, confirmed 21, and subsequently, at her residence, a sick member of the parish.

Wednesday, 15, at a visitation designed for Trinity Church, *Buffalo*, which is, as yet, accommodated with only a temporary chapel, confirmed 8 in St. Paul's Church, which had been appropriated to the use of the sister-parish on this occasion, in the exercise of that Christian kindness and good-will with which an elder ought always to regard a neighboring junior congregation.

Friday, 17, consecrated St. John's Church, Ellicottville, *Cattaraugus county* ; and in the afternoon, baptized therein 4 children, and confirmed 4 persons.

Tenth Sunday after Trinity, August 19, preached, morning and afternoon, in St. James' Church, Batavia, *Genesee county*.

Wednesday, August 22, and Thursday, 23, were spent in the city of Utica, in attendance at the Special Convention of this Diocese, called agreeably to a request made of me by the last Annual Convention. Of the proceedings of the Special Convention, you, of course, need not be told. I cannot, however, refer to them without recording the sense of devout gratitude to the God of all grace, in which I doubt not my heart finds full sympathy in yours, for the good spirit with which the proceedings of that meeting generally were characterized. It was evident that Christians were engaged in a Christian work ; and that there was a holy determination that the division contemplated of the large territorial limits of the diocese, should be attended with no division in affection and in good will.

On the great question respecting which that Convention was called, my views were, as is well known to you, that the division of the larger dioceses is the only proper remedy for deficiency in episcopal visitation and supervision, arising from the inconvenient extent of the diocesan's jurisdiction. On the question

whether present circumstances require present action on the part of this diocese in the matter of its division, I felt that, for various reasons, my brethren the clergy and churches of the diocese were better able to judge than myself. Not, therefore, suffering myself to be swayed by any decided opinion or feeling on this point, I cheerfully held both in suspense until there should be a decided and final expression of the sense of the diocese. That was emphatically given, after ample discussion, by the Special Convention. My mind on the subject, therefore, according to the deliberate, and, as I did not for a moment doubt, right and proper determination which I had formed, was then also made up; and I could no longer hesitate in the conviction that it was best the diocese should be divided as soon as it could be constitutionally and canonically. With this view I attended the late General Convention, and gave my influence in favor of the result whereby that body, by a large majority in the House of Bishops, and an almost unanimous vote in the House of Deputies, effected that alteration in the general Constitution of our Church, agreeably to which the division of our diocese has been conclusively determined on.

The Convention at Utica having adjourned to meet in this city, I resumed my visitation, and prosecuted it as follows:—

Festival of St. Bartholomew the Apostle, Friday, August 24, in the morning, confirmed eight in St. Peter's Church, Oriskany, *Oneida county*.

In the afternoon, confirmed seven in St. Paul's Church, Holland Patent.

In the evening, confirmed 29 in Trinity Church, *Utica*; and afterwards, at her residence, a sick member of the parish.

Saturday 25, confirmed, at his residence, a sick member of Grace Church, Norway, *Herkimer county*, and afterwards, for the same parish, six in a church of which the Episcopalians are part owners.

In the evening, preached in the Baptist Church, Newport.

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity, August 26, in Trinity Church, Fairfield, admitted the Rev. William Baker, deacon, the missionary there, to the priesthood; and in the afternoon, confirmed seven.

Monday 27, in Immanuel Church, Little Falls, admitted the Rev. Thomas Towell, deacon, the missionary there, to the priesthood; and in the afternoon confirmed 13.

Tuesday, 28, preached afternoon and evening, in the Court House, Fonda, *Montgomery county*; baptizing also, at the afternoon service, two children. A church has since been organized in this village.

Friday and Saturday, August 31 and September 1, and Monday, September 3, I attended, in this city, a meeting of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary; and on the first of these days, a meeting of the Managers of our General Sunday School Union.

The Seminary, though prosperous in the fulness and excellence of its course of study, and in the great good it is doing to the cause of religion and the Church, through the annually increasing body of its Alumni, stands in the greatest need of pecuniary assistance; and this, to meet its necessities, and save it from the most serious curtailment of its operations, must be both prompt and liberal. No one at all acquainted with the facts in the case, can doubt for a moment that means, abundant means, are in possession of the members of our Church to enable them to extend the needed aid with all its requisite liberality and promptness. If, brethren, every congregation of our communion in this country, would contribute at the rate of but one half dollar per annum, for each communicant therein, for five years to come, all its expenses, on their present footing, would be fully met, and a fund raised sufficient for their continuance, on the same footing, in all future time; while whatever more might be done in this way—and more surely might easily be done; and whatever might be added by more munificent benefactions, as donations and bequests, would go to the very desirable enlargement of its operations, the more equitable remuneration of its professors, more extensive provision for the comfortable maintenance, during their term of study, of such of its students as are insufficiently favored with the temporal blessings of Providence, and the securing of the very desirable end of enabling its Alumni to gratify their love of study by longer devotion to the increase of their stores of theological erudition.

Brethren: Let New-York be forward herein to do her duty. Let the sad consequences which we see all around us of the boldness of infidelity, the pestiferous insinuations of heresy, the factiousness of schism, and the disorganizing and demoralizing influences of enthusiasm and fanaticism, lead us to do all that God in His good providence may enable us to do, for increasing among

us the number of pious, orthodox, and well learned ministers of the gospel, and bringing the public mind under the wholesome influences of their ministrations and instructions. May I not hope that no clergyman of this diocese can come to another Convention, feeling that he has done his duty, unless he has pressed upon his people *their* duty in this most important matter, and by his improvement of whatever influence he may possess, shown that he, too, has *felt* his obligations to the Saviour who loved him unto death, and who established His Holy Church, and set therein His ministry, for the best interests of mankind—their comfort, joy, and welfare in this world, and their eternal happiness in the world to come.

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, September 2, in St. George's Church, Hallet's Cove, *Queen's county*, preached and administered the communion; and in the afternoon, confirmed three persons. I was happy to find here much improvement in the material, as well as, I trust, in the spiritual edifice.

From Wednesday, September 5, to Monday, 17, inclusive, I attended the General Convention of our Church in Philadelphia. It was a season of deep interest. All the Bishops were in attendance, and a very full delegation from the clergy and laity of the several dioceses. It was a new thing for the Bishops to assemble without the presidency of the venerable prelate whose loss, since the immediately preceding General Convention, our whole communion had deplored. Such an event, indeed, had but twice occurred since the organization of our Church, that is, in the first two General Conventions, those of 1789 and 1792. It is but justice, however, to add, that we were reminded of our departed father, not by the absence of the courtesy, impartiality, and fraternal respect and confidence, and of the constant and patient fidelity to the duties of his place, with which he presided over our counsels; but by the striking similarity in these respects between what had been, and what was now experienced from the venerable senior member of our House.

Many very important matters were presented to the notice of the General Convention—some of them involving *principles* on which there were cherished by its members, in both Houses, differing views. But all were discussed with mutual good will, and under the influence of that Christian charity, one of whose happiest developements is the courtesy which represses rudeness and

ill nature, and is tenderly regardful of the feelings of others. And such will ever be the case with true and consistent Christians, when engaged in mutual deliberation; and it furnishes better evidence, by far, of the influence of evangelical affection than all the boasting of it that can be vaunted; and evidence without which the sturdiest claim to *religious experience* will be justly exposed to suspicion, if not to ridicule.

Among the subjects discussed and decided at the General Convention, you are prepared to hear of one in which our diocese had an especial interest. The alteration of our General Ecclesiastical Constitution, of which the proposal and announcement led to the measures adopted at our last Stated Convention, and at the Utica meeting of the Special Convention, touching a division of the Diocese, was finally agreed to, and thus effected; as appears by the Journal of the adjourned meeting in this city of the Special Convention; which, having obtained leave of absence from the House of Bishops for that purpose, I attended on the evening of Tuesday, September 11.

The Utica meeting of this Special Convention could only deliberate and determine upon what the Diocese desired to have done in the event of the then proposed alteration of the General Constitution being ratified by the General Convention. This proposed alteration required ratifying action by the General Convention, after a Diocesan Convention had acted under it. Therefore, in order that this Diocese might immediately avail itself of the alteration of the General Constitution, if finally adopted by the General Convention, it must act during the session of that Convention, and while it might still ratify our action under that alteration. But any action of the Convention of this Diocese during the session of the General Convention, must necessarily be short and hurried. Therefore the Special Convention was called a sufficient time before the General Convention, to allow of due deliberation on the important matters necessarily claiming attention, and at a place so central as that the whole Diocese might, with the greatest attainable facility, be there represented. The meeting thus held, having duly and deliberately considered what ought to be the course of this Diocese, in the event of the General Constitution allowing, according to the proposed alteration of it, of a division of dioceses—that is, first, whether it should divide; and secondly, what should be the line

of division—determined that a division according to a line particularly defined, should take place on the first of November next. This done, the Convention adjourned to meet in this city on such a day, during the session of the General Convention in Philadelphia, as to leave that body time to ratify, if it should see fit to do so, the proposed alteration in the Constitution, and to secure its yet being in session to ratify *our* proceedings under that alteration. This adjourned meeting, however, could not be expected to be otherwise than a very small one, and consequently a very imperfect representation of the Diocese. It ought, therefore, to have been considered, as it was, bound in honor to carry out the decisions and views of the Utica meeting; where the Diocese was very fully represented, and the several points connected with its interesting crisis were fully discussed; and where the decision on the main questions, whether we should divide, and what should be the line of division, was made by large majorities.

In conformity with this just view of the case, the adjourned meeting of the Special Convention, being officially informed that the proposed alteration of the General Constitution had been ratified by the General Convention, proceeded to act under it in the way in which the Utica meeting declared that action should be had, in the event which had then transpired; that is, by resolving that this diocese should, on the first day of November, be divided according to the line of division determined on at Utica.

Official information of this was sent to the General Convention, still in session at Philadelphia, and my constitutional assent to the transaction made known to both Houses.* Those branches of our Supreme Ecclesiastical Counsel soon united in a ratification

* The following is the document on this point laid by me before the two Houses:

It being provided by the fifth Article of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, as amended by this Convention, that “no new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any other Diocese, unless with the consent of the Bishop of the Diocese concerned;” the undersigned, the Bishop of the Diocese of New-York, hereby informs this Convention, that the action reported to them by the Diocese of New-York, providing for the formation, within its limits, of a new Diocese, has his entire consent.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK,

Bishop of the Diocese of New-York.

Philadelphia, September 14, 1838.

of our action in the premises ;* and thus the whole matter of the division of this diocese was consummated, to take effect on the first day of next month.

There was apparent, in the discussions on this subject, a very proper solicitude to guard against the idea of there being a disposition to act rashly or unnecessarily in any departure from the long established and well-working principles on which our ecclesiastical organization was founded. The expedient was resorted to as a remedy for evil, not as an experiment or a new measure ; and there appeared generally to prevail a desire to guard it against being a precedent for the unnecessary multiplication of dioceses, or the reduction of them in size, when this is not called for by an emergency. The procedure was regarded by the General Convention as a precedent of great moment, and therefore requiring that it be viewed and discussed very gravely and considerably. As a precedent, it covered two very important grounds : First, that the division of inconveniently large dioceses is the proper remedy for necessary deficiency in episcopal care and supervision, in preference to the having of assistant bishops, or suffragans ; and secondly, that division is to be so guarded as not to

* The following is the action in this matter of the General Convention :—

“ Whereas it appears by documents laid before this Convention, that the Diocese of New-York has, by its Convention, and in accordance with the fifth article of the constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, as amended by this Convention, resolved that the said diocese be, on the 1st day of November next, divided into two dioceses, by the forming of a new diocese within the limits of the said Diocese of New-York, the said new diocese to comprise that part of the State of New-York which lies west of the present eastern boundary lines of the counties of Broome, Chenango, Madison, Oneida, and Lewis, and the north-easterly line of the county of Jefferson, as the said lines of those counties are now established by law ; and whereas the bishop of the Diocese of New-York, has, by an instrument under his hand, this day laid before both houses of this Convention, signified his consent to the said formation of a new diocese within the limits of his diocese :—therefore,

“ *Resolved*, That this Convention does hereby ratify the above-mentioned division of the Diocese of New-York into two dioceses, by the formation, within its limits, of the new diocese above described, such division to take effect on the first day of November next ; and that this Convention does hereby recognise the union with the General Convention of the new diocese west of the above-named county boundary lines, to take effect on the said first day of November next—the name of the said new diocese to be determined at the Annual Convention of the Diocese of New-York in October next.”

lead to an inconvenient number of dioceses, or their reduction to very small dimensions.

Another important principle, connected with the division of dioceses, was also established by the General Convention. It is, that such division does not create two new dioceses, but a new one within the limits of an old one. Some dioceses, however, may be so situated, as that it may not follow, as a matter of course, as it clearly does in ours, which is the old and which the new one. The General Convention, therefore, passed a canon, requiring that hereafter, when a diocese desires a division, it shall, before coming before that Convention for ratification, designate which diocese shall be considered the old, and which the new one.

Thus, all the proper measures having been adopted, this diocese, which has been one, and as one has been greatly blessed and prospered, since the meeting of its first Convention in 1785, is, on the first day of the next month, to be divided into two. God grant that the division may be but in local bounds, and in diocesan organization; not in spirit—that spirit which has ever been so eminently characterized by Christian love and harmony—a love and harmony which have indeed had their trials, and been sometimes threatened with extinction—for when was it ever otherwise with association between fallen men, even in the holiest concerns, for so long a tract of time? but which yet, because of the grace of God which excited and cherished them, came off more than conquerors, and made still stronger the cords of Christian unity and affection. Nor let the division be—God grant that it may not be! in *principles*—those truly evangelical principles, which, for CHRIST's sake, and because of genuine and confiding faith in the great things which He hath done for us, give their due value, in estimate and observance, to His holy Church, its ministry, its ordinances, its unity and good polity, and its adaptation to the great and beneficent purposes, spiritual and eternal, for which He was pleased to establish it, and promise it His continued presence. No, dear brethren, in the spirit, and in the principles, which God has so signally blessed to the welfare of this diocese, and to its honored agency in promoting His glory, the genuine influence of His holy gospel, and the spiritual and eternal good of His people, let the two dioceses of this state be, and ever continue, but one. This is demanded by every dictate of true faith and piety; and they would incur a fearful respon-

sibility who would depart from ways so truly scriptural, and so eminently blessed.

The measures thus consummated for the division of the diocese, imposed upon me a duty than which I remember none that in the tenderest and most interesting respects, has been more trying. I was to elect that one of the two dioceses over which I should continue to sustain episcopal supervision. This was a pleasure. But it involved the relinquishment of the other. This was truly painful. Brethren, friends, children in the Lord, beloved with an affection which, though not requiring that crisis to evince its heartfelt sincerity, was thus most tryingly realized, were to be severed from the holiest and dearest tie that can bind a minister of Jesus to his flock; and the greater portion of them, probably, never again to be seen on earth. But the greatest trials are often, in the wise and good providence of God, the best for us. I was verily convinced that *this* was one so clearly connected with the obvious developments of the will of God, that I murmured not at the call to encounter it; but promptly made the choice, which has been publicly announced to the Diocese.* My cordial blessing will be left with the beloved flock

* The following is the announcement to which allusion is here made:—

“To the Clergy and Churches of the Diocese of New-York.

Brethren,—At the General Convention of our Church, lately held in the city of Philadelphia, the following preamble and resolution were adopted by both Houses, and thus became an act of the Convention, namely :

[*Here follows the act of the General Convention, ratifying the division of the Diocese of New-York, as given in a former note.*]

Thus, brethren, all the required measures on the part both of the General and Diocesan Conventions having been adopted, a new diocese is to be formed within the bounds of this diocese, on the first day of November next. Agreeably to the above-mentioned article of the Constitution, it rests with me to elect the one of the two dioceses into which this diocese will thus be divided, to which I will be attached as the diocesan thereof.

The decision would be a difficult one indeed, were I required to be governed in making it by any comparison of affectionate regard for my clerical and lay brethren within the bounds of the respective dioceses, or of confidence in their disposition to do all that should be done for the promotion of my personal and domestic comfort, and to meet the necessary and proper expenses of the office.

It is, however, probably known to the most of you, that the city of my present residence has been my only home through life, and was, for about twenty-five years, the scene of parochial pastoral labors, which have led to the formation of many sacred and most endearing ties. I trust, therefore, that it will

soon to be transferred to other, and God grant it may be better, guidance; and of those who remain under my pastoral care, I affectionately ask that they will not be wanting in faithful fervent prayers for the grace of God to keep me in the right way, as long as I am spared to have them in charge.

It was my intention, brethren, to have taken a more extensive notice of the proceedings of the late General Convention, but that department of them which so nearly concerns ourselves has naturally engrossed so much attention, that I can do little farther under this head than commend to your careful perusal the journal of that important and interesting Counsel of the Church, when it shall be published. In order that its publication may be more extensive than the limited funds of the Convention will allow, it is proposed to enlarge the edition by receiving special subscriptions therefor. I earnestly recommend attention to this on the part of the members of this Convention, and of the parishes of the Diocese. Besides the subscriptions of individuals, it would be well for each parish to secure a sufficient number of copies for extensive distribution within its bounds. I have been gratified to learn that some parishes in this city have set an example in this matter, and hope it will be followed.

I would also apply similar remarks to an action of the General Convention having in view the publication, under the direction of a Committee of that body, of all the Journals of the General Convention from its first organization. Every vestry should have a copy of this publication, as the property of the parish; and individuals of the clergy and laity who have the power, should pa-

be regarded as altogether reasonable and natural, for me to determine to remain in charge of that diocese which embraces my native city. This determination, brethren, I now thus announce to you. The separation which it will involve from brethren and friends so truly beloved, and to whom I am bound by the most grateful recollection of hospitalities, kindness, and every evidence of affectionate attachment, will be, indeed, most painful to me. But I have not a moment's doubt that it is for the best, and most devoutly do I pray that it may be overruled to the glory of God, the good of His holy Church, and the spiritual and eternal welfare both of those from whom I shall thus be officially severed, and those with whom my diocesan connection will be continued.

Commending you to the blessings of God's providence and grace,

I remain, dear brethren, your affectionate diocesan,

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK,

Bishop of the Diocese of New-York.

New-York, Sept. 19, 1838.

tronise it with a view to the obtaining of that knowledge of the past history and legislation of the Church, which will be so valuable a qualification for an enlightened participation in any department of its counsels.

While on this subject, I am reminded of a kindred action of the General Convention—that which had reference to the engaging, under its authority, of the services of two eminently qualified Presbyters—the Rev. Dr. Hawks of this Diocese, and the Rev. Dr. Jarvis of Connecticut, in preparing a full history of the Church in this country, and, with an especial view to the due information of its ministers, candidates for orders, and members generally, of the Catholic Church of Christ from its first establishment. In whatever way the accomplishment of this good design may be presented to the patronage of the public, let me hope that the Church in this state will not be wanting in its full share.

During the session of the General Convention, there occurred the usual meetings of the Board of Missions, and the Sunday School Union, and public meetings connected with the prosecution of the great interests intrusted to them. These, there is reason to hope and believe, were attended with a good degree of the divine blessing in stirring up the wills of the people towards their respective important departments of Christian operation.

Following the impulse thus given, the Sunday School Union has since appointed an editor, with an especial view to the selection and preparation of suitable books for Sunday School libraries—establishments which, experience proves, are exerting a most extensive influence over the public mind. It is of unspeakable importance to give this influence a proper direction. The reverend gentleman appointed editor, having long evinced peculiar qualifications for directing the religious culture of the youthful mind, may be expected to give a most efficient and valuable impulse to this department of the Union's operations. For the sustaining of those operations, however, the extensive patronage of the Church is needed. This should be given by liberal purchases of the Union's books, for individual and family reading, and for parochial and Sunday School libraries. The monthly periodical of the Union is also to be enlarged and improved, and will, I trust, find among us a great increase of patronage.

The line of usefulness proper to the Sunday School Union is by no means an unimportant part of another subject of vital interest which led to action by the General Convention, and was

especially treated of in one of the public meetings held during its session. I meet the subject of the education of the young in connexion with their training in that heavenly wisdom which is found only in the pure doctrines and salutary precepts of the gospel. The most mournful experience is beginning to be had of the essential importance of this. God grant that the experience may be duly improved, before its beginning be found to have been the *beginning of sorrows*—such as follow on the utter ruin of all civil, social, and domestic welfare! Knowledge is power; and it is found to be power of tremendous malign influence, if undirected by piety and virtue. Startling as may appear the proposition, it is nevertheless true, that ignorance is bliss, if the head only be trained and tutored, and the heart be left estranged from that only true guidance which comes of the religion of Jesus Christ. An union has been established by the Creator between man's intellectual, moral, and spiritual parts, which he cannot sever without detriment to his individual and social welfare. If the two latter be not duly cultivated, it were better by far that the first be left in the weakness and simplicity of ignorance; for the natural depravity and corruption of the human heart will otherwise inevitably lead it far astray from man's chief good.

These are truths, brethren, which Christians should lay well to heart, and improve into principles of consistent and efficient action. And connected with them is the farther consideration, that the religion of the gospel is not a system of generalities, but one of peculiarities. It has doctrines to be believed, a Church to be connected with, and precepts to be obeyed, which cannot be severed from each other consistently with its integrity. They must all be maintained in their divine union, and each in its true scriptural character and connexions, if the divine blessing promised to allegiance to the gospel is to be reasonably expected; that is, expected on those grounds which are set forth in scripture. The terms sectarian and denominational, so often used to frighten or allure Christians from one point or another of the integrity of the gospel system, are, according to the rule by which they are usually meted out, essentially applicable to every true feature of that system.

To be more explicit. From the system of the Gospel, as maintained and set forth in the standards of our Church, there is not a sect or denomination around us which does not depart in some es-

sential particular. Would we, therefore, maintain the system of the gospel in its integrity, we must adhere to points which, in reference to some one or other of those communions of professing Christians, wear the appearance of sectarianism. We cannot sacrifice them consistently with honesty and integrity. We must therefore present, as we receive, the gospel as embracing these particulars. Consequently, these particulars must be included in a full and true gospel education. Hence the conclusion to which I would come, that that must be a *Church* education; and therefore that education, if to be truly Christian, must be attended to by the Church on its own principles. The public mind, brethren, must and will come to this conclusion, if it be duly interested in the maintenance and prosperity of our civil, social, and religious institutions. And our Church has gained a hold on the public confidence, and an influence in society, which not only justifies it in taking a decided and active stand on this subject, but renders it an imperative duty. *It should have charge of the intellectual, in its proper connexion with the moral and spiritual culture of its youth.* And every minister and every member of the Church should seriously consider what he can do to bring about an object of such vital importance. And the wealth, the strength, and the various means of influence, which God has been pleased to give to the Church in this State, it should regard itself as called on to devote to special action in this matter. But what has it done? In Columbia and Geneva colleges, there are comparatively safe retreats for our youth. The Church having purchased, has of right, a predominant influence in their concerns. But it is an influence which must be most cautiously used. Constituted as those colleges are, it would, in the opinion of many, be a breach of good faith to make them mediums for the direct inculcation of our distinctive principles. This, however, is true of them—and it is much to say; for it can be said of but few colleges in our land, that they shut out an heretical and schismatical influence; and should therefore receive the patronage of our communion. For places however of education on truly and fully Christian principles, we are as yet indebted to private exertion. There are several such of a more limited nature. Those more extensive ones—St. Paul's College in Flushing, and the Episcopal Institute at Troy—deserve particular commendation to the extensive patronage of the Church. And soon, I trust, we shall have in this city, under the auspices of the New-York Protestant Episcopal Public School, an institution of a high literary order, in which, as youths advance in human learning,

their souls will be cared for by due training in that best and most useful knowledge, whereby the members of the body of Christ are to grow up into Him in all things who is the Head. I refer to Trinity School, just established by the above mentioned corporation, and about going into operation under the rectorship of a well qualified presbyter of this diocese.

But shall it always be, my brethren, that this important department of the Church's duty is attended to by her in so limited a degree? Consider the question seriously and deeply, in the fear of God, and with a full sense of your own obligations as ministers and members of the Church.

Having returned from the General Convention, I re-commenced my diocesan duties, and prosecuted them as follows :—

Saturday, September 22, consecrated the chapel of St. Mark's Church, Williamsburgh, *Kings county*. The parish not being yet prepared to encounter the expense of erecting such an edifice as they confidently anticipate will soon be needed as the parish church, have provided this smaller one to serve in its stead, until that is built, and then to be retained for week-day services, and catechetical purposes. I had the pleasure, on this occasion, of the company of my right reverend brother the Bishop of Michigan, who did me the favor of taking a part in the services.

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 23, in St. Michael's Church, *New York*, confirmed 19.

Thursday, 27, in St. Peter's Church, admitted to Deacons' Orders Henry W. Sweetzer, an alumnus of the General Theological Seminary, who had been transferred, as a candidate, to this Diocese from that of New Hampshire.

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 30, in St. George's Church, Hallet's Cove, *Queens county*, admitted the Rev. John W. Brown, Deacon, the minister of the parish, to Priests' Orders; and preached again in the afternoon.

Wednesday, October 3, consecrated St. Timothy's Church, *New York*; and had the pleasure of the company and assistance of my right reverend brother the Missionary Bishop for Missouri, Wisconsin, and Iowa. This is the German Church of which I had occasion to speak in my last annual address. In the face of many difficulties, the vestry have succeeded in the erection of this plain but very neat and commodious edifice; and I would again commend the parish to the Christian sympathies, and kind fostering aid, of their brethren in the Church.

Prominent among the difficulties which they ~~have~~ had to encounter, is the death, which has occurred within the year, of their pastor, the Rev. George Mills, whose ordination as Deacon I reported to the last Annual Convention. A few days before his death, and when he supposed his disorder was taking a favorable turn, he was anticipating, with much devout interest, the completion of his church, and his admission therein to Priests' Orders. But it was otherwise determined by an all-wise Providence; and our brother soon, but not without the most gratifying evidence of a saving interest in the Redeemer to whom he had delighted to point the view of others, was taken to his rest; being, through God's great goodness, the only clergyman of the diocese who has died during the past year.

Yesterday, Thursday, 4, you were witnesses of an ordination at the opening of this Convention, at which James Abercrombie, of the vacant Diocese of Maryland, was, by request of the ecclesiastical authority of that Diocese, admitted to Deacons' Orders; and you doubtless participated with me in the pleasure of the presence on the occasion, and their participation in the services, of my right reverend brethren the Bishop of North Carolina, and the Missionary Bishop for Missouri, Wisconsin, and Iowa; and in the peculiar interest attached to it from the sight of a venerable Presbyter, of more than fourscore years of age, taking by the hand his grandson, and presenting him for admission to the holy ministry.*

I cannot record this ordination without also recording, in connexion with it, my sense of the great loss sustained by the Diocese of Maryland in particular, and by our Church at large, in the event which led to the candidate coming here. You anticipate me, when I refer to the death within the past year of the Right Rev. William Murray Stone, D. D., the Bishop of that Diocese—a man whom to know was to esteem and love, and a Bishop who had his special charge near his heart, and was ever found true to those principles with which are connected the best interests of the Church of Christ at large.

The following is a summary of the Episcopal Acts above detailed:—

Ordained 25 Deacons, one for another Diocese; of whom 13 are alumni of the General Theological Seminary. Ordained 19 Priests. Instituted 4 Rectors. Confirmed 893 persons on 79

* The candidate was presented by his grandfather, the venerable James Abercrombie, D. D., of Pennsylvania.

occasions. Laid the corner stones of 3 churches. Consecrated 9 churches.

The changes among the clergy, other than those already mentioned, are as follows :—

The Rev. Hiram Adams has transferred his canonical residence from Delaware to this Diocese, and is in charge of a select seminary at Kingston, Ulster county.

The Rev. Jasper Adams, D. D., has canonically removed from South Carolina to this Diocese, and is the Chaplain, and Professor of Rhetoric and Moral and Political Science, in the United States' Military Academy, West Point, which offices were vacated by the resignation of the Rev. Thomas Warner.

The Rev. Lewis P. W. Balch has removed into this Diocese from Pennsylvania, and been chosen rector of St. Bartholomew's Church in this city, vacant by the resignation of the Rev. Charles V. Kelly.

The Rev. John Bayley, deacon, has relinquished the missionary station at Richford, Tioga county, and M'Lean, Tompkins county; and been appointed to that at Owego, Tioga county.

The Rev. Alva Bennett has relinquished the station of Principal of the High School, Geneseo, Livingston county, and become an Instructor in the Episcopal Institute, Troy.

The Rev. Thomas S. Brittan has resigned the rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Flatbush, Kings county, where he is succeeded by the Rev. James Coghlan, a presbyter of the Church of England, who had become canonically connected with this Diocese, and now confines himself to the rectorship of St. Paul's, Brooklyn.

The Rev. Daniel E. Brown, and the Rev. Solomon Davis, have become attached to the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop for Missouri, Wisconsin and Iowa.

The Rev. David Brown, and the Rev. Charles Jones, have become connected with the newly organized Diocese of Florida, the latter having resigned the rectorship of St. Andrew's Church, New Berlin, Chenango county, where he is succeeded by the Rev. Russel Wheeler.

The Rev. Edward C. Bull has removed into this Diocese from Massachusetts, and become the rector of St. Philip's Church, Phillipstown, Putnam county, where he succeeds the Rev. Henry L. Storrs, who has removed to the rectorship of St. Stephen's

Church, New Hartford, Oneida county, vacant by the removal of the Rev. Samuel C. Davis to the rectorship of St. Mark's Church, Williamsburgh, Kings county, resigned by the Rev. William Morris, who has become assistant minister of St. Michael's and St. James' Churches in this city, and the rector of Trinity School, the English and Classical Seminary referred to above, which has been recently established by the Corporation of the New-York Protestant Episcopal Public School.

The Rev. Hilliard Bryant has removed to the Diocese of Connecticut; and the Rev. Samuel Buel, deacon, and the Rev. Richard Bury, to that of Michigan.

The Rev. Thomas W. Coit, D. D., has removed into this Diocese from Connecticut, and become the Rector of Trinity Church, Brooklyn, where he succeeds the Rev. Daniel V. M. Johnson, who has removed to the Diocese of Indiana.

The Rev. Calvin Colton has resigned the rectorship of the Church of the Messiah in this city, where he is succeeded by the Rev. Richard C. Shimeall.

The Rev. Francis H. Cuming has resigned the rectorship of Calvary Church, in this city, and removed to the Diocese of Michigan.

The Rev. Jacob W. Diller has resigned the office of assistant minister of St. John's Church, Brooklyn, and removed to the Diocese of Vermont.

The parish of Granville, Washington county, having been separated from the Missionary station in which it was connected with Whitehall, and become a station by itself, is supplied by the Rev. Darwin B. Mason, M. D., deacon, who has removed from the Diocese of Vermont; and the Rev. Palmer Dyer continues the missionary at Whitehall.

The Rev. John F. Fish has removed to the Diocese of Mississippi, and the Rev. John Grigg to that of Vermont.

The Rev. Caleb S. Henry, D. D., has removed into this Diocese from that of Pennsylvania, and is mainly occupied in his learned and able labors as Editor of the New-York Review, a quarterly publication designed to promote the essentially united interests of pure religion and true science—its religious department being frankly avowed to be in consonance with the principles of the Church. Our communion in this diocese has long derived much benefit from the periodical press, and has largely contributed to extend that benefit to other sections of the Church. The

Churchman's Magazine, the Christian Journal, the Gospel Messenger, and the Churchman, have been blessed as highly efficient means of advancing the common cause of CHRIST and his Church. Indeed, complete sets of those works would be a most valuable Christian library, clearly expounding and ably vindicating the great truths and requirements of the gospel, and furnishing the principles, and urging and leading to the practice, of true evangelical devotion. And certainly there can, I think, be no where found a fuller and truer record of memorials connected with the history of our Church. The Messenger, and Churchman, which are still engaged in their good works, I commend to the continued patronage of the Church; and trust that the New-York Review, in the purity and soundness of its theology, and in the success of its noble object to combine the evangelical improvement of the heart with the culture and elevation of the mind, and to hallow the labors of the scholar, the researches of the man of science, and the duties of the citizen in every department, with the influence of Christian principle and Christian motive, will commend itself to all who have at heart the real dignity and the best interests of man.

The Rev. Bethel Judd, D. D., has removed into this Diocese from Connecticut, and become the rector of St. John's Church, Ithaca, Tompkins county.

The Rev. Nathaniel P. Knapp has removed to the Diocese of Alabama.

The Rev. Charles Luck, originally a Presbyterian of the Church of England, who had removed to this country, and been received as a Presbyterian of this Diocese, having returned to England, has given me notice of being again settled there in the exercise of the ministry. I therefore consider him as no longer belonging to this Diocese.

The Rev. Thomas Pyne, who came to this country under similar circumstances, having returned to his own, and never made his canonical reports to me, I consider, agreeably to notice given in my last annual address, that he has resumed his original ecclesiastical connexion, and therefore erase his name from the list of clergy of this diocese.*

* Since the Convention, I received a letter from Mr. Pyne, notifying me of his having resumed his connection with the Church of England.

The Rev. Archibald T. K. McCallum, Deacon, has been transferred to the Diocese of Delaware.

The Rev. Moses Marcus has resigned the rectorship of St. Mark's Church, Hempstead Harbor, Queen's county, and been appointed the Missionary of the Board of Missions to the island of Nantucket.

The Rev. John F. Messenger has resigned the rectorship of St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn.

The Rev. John Morgan has removed to the Diocese of North Carolina.

The Rev. William W. Niles has ceased his connexion with the colored congregation in this city formerly served by him.

The Rev. John Noble, Deacon, has become attached to the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop for Missouri, Wisconsin and Iowa.

The Rev. Beardsley Northrop, having been charged by public rumor with offences subjecting him to trial, requested a canonical inquiry. This was instituted, and the result was a presentment, trial, and acquittal.

The Rev. Guy R. Pinching has been transferred to the Diocese of Mississippi.

The Rev. Henry H. Prout has relinquished the missionary station at Cairo, Greene county; and Calvary Church at that place is now supplied with occasional service by the Rev. Joseph F. Phillips, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Catskill.

The Rev. Samuel Seabury, D. D., adds to his very able and valuable labors as Editor of the Churchman, the pastoral charge, as rector thereof, of the newly incorporated Church of the Annunciation in this city.

The Rev. Robert Shaw has relinquished the rectorship of St. Andrew's Church, Walden, Orange county, and become the missionary at Marlborough, Ulster county.

The Rev. Orsamus H. Smith has resigned the rectorship of Zion Church, Louisville, Otsego county, and become the missionary at Rensselaerville, Albany county.

The Rev. Richard Smith has resigned the missionary station at Elmira, Chemung county, where he is succeeded by the Rev. Gordon Winslow; and become the missionary at Hector, Tompkins county, and Johnson's Settlement, Chemung county.

The Rev. Lewis Thibou, jun. has resigned the rectorship of Trinity Church, Athens, Greene county, and become the missionary at Angelica, Allegany county.

The Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D., has removed into this Diocese from Massachusetts, and become an assistant minister of Trinity Church in this city.

The Rev. Alvi T. Twing has removed from the Diocese of Vermont, and become an Instructor in the Episcopal Institute, Troy.

The Rev. William M. Weber, M. D., has become the missionary at Perryville, Madison county.

The present number of clergy in this Diocese is 249, showing an increase, since the last Annual Convention, of 10.

Eleven clergymen have removed from other dioceses into this, and 22 from this into others ; and one has departed this life.

We have at present 48 candidates for orders, viz.

Libertus Van Bokkelen, Henry Lawrence, James M. Fenn, George W. Nichols, Joseph Hunter, Alfred Stubbs, Hobart Williams, Andrew Hull, George Sayres, George S. Gordon, George W. Fash, William H. Hughes, William S. Bartlett, Frederick W. J. Pollard, Caleb Clapp, Samuel M. Haskins, Josiah Perry, Martin P. Greene, D. Hillhouse Buel, Albert D. Traver, Ralph Hoyt, Francis Edwards, John G. Barton, George D. Gillespie, Charles Aldis, Jesse A. Spencer, John W. Clark, Stephen Douglass, Freeman Clarkson, Charles Fox, William Mulligan, Benjamin W. Stone, Benjamin M. Yarrington, Theodore B. Lyman, Asa Griswold, James N. M'Elligot, William H. Moore, David M'Ilvaine, Fortune C. Brown, Henry H. Bates, Nathaniel W. Starr, John Blake, Whiting Griswold, Major A. Nickerson, Charles D. Cooper, Alfred M. Loutrel, Anthony E. Burt, James Millett. Of the above, Messrs. Nichols, Hunter, Stubbs, Hull, Sayres, Gordon, Fash, Bartlett, Pollard, Clapp, Haskins, Buel, Traver, Gillespie, Aldis, Spencer, Clark, Douglass, Clarkson, Mulligan, Stone, Lyman, Moore, M'Ilvaine, Brown, and Bates, are students of the General Theological Seminary ; and others are about entering.

Francis Vinton, Erastus B. Foote, Edwin N. Lightener, Jacob B. Morss, and John Martin, jun., have been transferred, as candidates, to other dioceses.

William Hall, jun., induced by ill health, has, at his own request, had his name taken from the list of candidates.

Frederick A. P. Barnard, and James Harshaw, not having observed the requisites of the canon respecting their applying for examination, have, agreeably to the canon, ceased to be candidates.

I have detained you, my brethren, for such an unusual length

of time, that I will interfere with your proceedings no longer than to commend you therein to the guidance and blessing of the Holy Ghost.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK.

New York, October 5, 1838.

A communication from the Rev. Dr. Muhlenberg was presented by the Bishop, and read by the Secretary.

Whereupon, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, it was, *Resolved*, that that portion of the Bishop's address which relates to the subject of Christian Education, together with the communication of the Rev. Dr. Muhlenberg, be referred to a special committee of five.

The Rev. Drs. Hawks, Taylor, and Eastburn, and Messrs. G. C. Verplanck and Matthew Clarkson, were appointed that committee.

On motion, the 9th Rule of Order was suspended, and it was *Resolved*, that the election of the Standing Committee, and the Delegates to the General Convention, take place this evening at half past 7 o'clock.

The Standing Committee on the Treasurer's Report presented the same, audited, as follows :—

The Standing Committee to whom was referred the Treasurer's accounts, respectfully report, that they have examined the same, and carefully compared them with vouchers, and found them correct; being a balance due the Treasurer, eight dollars and eighty-five cents.

M. CLARKSON,
CLEMENT C. MOORE,
ISAAC CAROW.

New-York, Oct. 4, 1838.

*The Convention of the Diocese of New-York in account current with
C. N. S. Rowland, Treasurer.*

Oct. 1837.		DR.	
To Cash paid Benjamin M. Brown, Esq., Treasurer, for Missionary Fund,	\$632 67		
" " " Education Fund,	312 11	944 78	
" Wm. H. Harison, Esq., Treasurer for Episcopal Fund, - -		179 07	
" The Rev. Clergy, for mileage, -	404 74		
" Rev. Dr. Anthon, Secretary of the General Convention, - -	112 50		
" Protestant Episcopal Press, on account of printing, - -	520 00		
" Treasurer's account book, - -	3 00		
Balance of Diocesan Fund, -	5 64	1045 88	
			2169 73

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By Cash received from 47 Parishes for Mission-			
ary Fund,	-	632	67
" " 37 parishes for Educa-			
tion Fund,	-	312	11
" " 37 parishes for Episco-			
pal Fund,	-	179	07
" " 105 parishes for Diocesan			
Fund,	-	1045	88
			<u>2169 73</u>

DR.			
1838.			
Aug. 24,	To Cash paid at Utica, H. Williamson's		
	bill Stationary and attendance,	6	31
"	Edward Morin, printing,	4	13
Sep. 25,	" "Hobart Press," Utica, print-		10 44
	ing, per Rev. B. I. Haight,	5	00
"	David Felt, printing Journal		
	Special Convention,		
	Utica,	57	11
	G. Hogg, folding,	6	25
			<u>68 36</u>
			78 80

CR.			
Aug. 24,	By balance Diocesan Fund, brt. down,	5	64
"	Amount of collection Trinity Ch.,		
	Utica, towards defraying expen-		
	ses of Special Convention, in		
	that city,	64	31
	Balance due to the Treasurer,	8	85
			<u>78 80</u>
Oct. 3,	To balance due to Treasurer, as above,		8 85
E. E.	C. N. S. ROWLAND, Treasurer.		
New-York, Oct. 3, 1838.			

The House agreed to the Report, and the Committee were discharged.

The Report of the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate was then read as follows :—

The Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate in the Diocese of New-York, respectfully report :

That agreeably to their report of 1st October, 1837, the fund amounted to the sum of \$101,732 98; viz., invested and at interest, \$99,113 82; and interest accrued thereon to that date, \$2,619 16.

The following sums have been since received, viz :

For Interest,	-	\$7228	70
From Mr. Rowland, Treasurer of the Con-			
vention, for balance of collections of 1835-6,			
paid to him,	-	4	94
From same, for the Episcopal collections in			
the year 1836-7, in 37 churches, paid to			
him at the Convention of 1837; and from			
two other churches, for same, paid after the			
Convention had adjourned, as per schedule			
annexed,	-	183	07
Less discount, paid upon a bank bill, for \$10,			
sent by one of the churches,	-	4	00
			<u>179 07</u>
Total receipts since 1st October, 1837,	-	\$7,412	71

	Brought forward	\$7,412 71
And there has been paid to the Bishop, one year's salary,		\$6,300 00
Surplus of receipts above payments, -		1,112 71
Total invested and at interest, -		\$100,226 53
Interest thereon, computed to this day, yet uncollected, -		2,422 29
Total amount of the fund on 1st October, 1838,		\$102,648 82
Viz: Bonds and mortgages of real estate in the city of		
New-York, bearing 7 per cent. interest, -		56,000 00
Bond of Trinity Church, in the city of New-York, bearing the like interest, -		42,250 00
Temporary loan, at 7 per cent. per annum, secured by a pledge of stock, -		1,976 53
Interest on above securities, to 1st October, 1838, uncollected, -		2,422 29
Total,	\$102,648 82	

WILLIAM H. HARRISON, *Treasurer.*
 WILLIAM JOHNSON, { *Trustees.*
 THOMAS SWORDS, }

New-York, October 3, 1838.

Schedule of the contributions for the year 1836-7, of the several Churches in the State of New-York, in obedience to the 13th Canon of the Diocese, entitled "Of the Episcopal Fund," which have been paid over to the trustees of the fund.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Names of Churches.</i>		<i>Amounts.</i>
Broome,	Christ Church, Binghamton, -	-	1 00
	St. Luke's, " Harpersville, -	-	3 00
Cayuga,	St. Peter's, " Auburn, -	-	1 00
Chenango,	St. Peter's, " Bainbridge, -	-	1 25
	Zion, " Greene, -	-	1 00
	Christ, " Guilford, (Fayetteville,) -	-	1 00
Cortlandt,	Christ, " Sherburne, -	-	1 00
	Calvary, " Homer, -	-	50
Dutchess,	St. James', " Hyde Park, -	-	9 00
Genesee,	St. Mark's, " Le Roy, -	-	4 00
	Trinity, " Athens, -	-	5 00
	Calvary, " Cairo, -	-	1 00
	St. Luke's, " Catskill, -	-	5 00
Herkimer,	Trinity, " Windham, -	-	1 00
	Emmanuel, " Little Falls, -	-	5 00
	Zion, " Pierrepont Manor, -	-	2 00
Livingston,	St. John's, " Mount Morris, -	-	2 21
Monroe,	Grace, " Rochester, -	-	20 00
New-York,	Calvary, " -	-	1 00
	St. Andrew's " -	-	10 00
Oneida,	du St. Esprit, " -	-	3 83
	St. Stephen's " New Hartford, -	-	3 09
Ontario,	Trinity, " Utica, -	-	5 17
	Trinity, " Geneva, -	-	5 00
Orange,	St. James', " Goshen, -	-	3 55
Otsego,	Christ, " Gilbertsville, -	-	3 00
Putnam,	Christ " Patterson, -	-	2 00
	St. Philip's, " Philipstown, -	-	1 96

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Names of Churches.</i>		<i>Amounts.</i>
Queen's	Grace Church,	Jamaica,	- - - 5 00
Rensselaer,	Christ,	Troy,	- - - 1 00
Richmond,	St. Andrew's,	Richmond,	- - - 10 25
	St. Paul's,	Tompkinsville,	- - - 4 50
Seneca,	Trinity,	Seneca Falls,	- - - 1 00
Westchester,	St. Thomas',	Mamaroneck,	- - - 5 00
	St. James',	North Salem,	- - - 2 00
	Christ,	Rye,	- - - 8 00
Westchester,	St. Peter's,	Westchester,	- - - 34 01
	Grace,	White Plains,	- - - 8 75
Yates,	St. Mark's,	Penn Yan,	- - - 1 00

Total, \$183 07

By order of the Trustees.

WILLIAM H. HARMON, *Treasurer.*

New-York, October 3, 1838.

The Special Committee appointed at the adjourned session of the late Special Convention, on the subject of the Episcopal Fund, presented the following Report:—

The Committee appointed at the Adjourned Session of the Special Convention of this Diocese, held on the 11th of September last, "to take into consideration the subject of the Episcopal Fund, and the measures necessary to make provisions for the support of the Bishops of the respective Dioceses of New-York," and who were directed to report at the next Annual Convention of the Diocese of New-York, respectfully Report—

That by a canon passed in October, 1796, the Convention of this Diocese directed collections to be made in every Church, and to be invested by the Treasurer of the Convention, to be held by him in trust, for the Convention, and to be permitted to accumulate without diminution until the annual profits of the Fund become adequate to the support of a Bishop. From that time, the collections were made under the above canon, and others of the same import; and in the year 1836, the whole sum, with the interest to the first of October in that year, amounted to \$70,095 28. To the Annual Convention in that year, the Corporation of Trinity Church in the city of New-York proposed to pay \$30,000 to the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, in aid of the same, whenever it shall amount to \$70,000, on condition—

1st. That the Capital of the Fund shall remain inviolate, and that so much of the annual interest thereof as the Convention shall deem adequate shall be applied to the support of the Bishop.

2d. That in case of a division of the Diocese, the whole of the said sum of \$30,000, and one half of the said sum of \$70,000, shall belong to that part of the Diocese in which the City of New-York may be situate, the interest thereof to be applied to the support of the Bishop within the same.

Upon which the Convention passed the following Resolutions:—

"Resolved, That this Convention does hereby agree to the conditions on which the Corporation of Trinity Church in the city of New-York propose to pay the sum of \$30,000 to the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, in aid of the same, which conditions are contained in a communication from that Corporation, dated on the 14th of December, 1835.

"Resolved, That whenever the said Fund shall, by means of the said payment, amount to the sum of \$100,000, the interest arising from \$90,000, part thereof, shall be appropriated and paid for the support of the Bishop of the Diocese, and that the remainder of the said fund be managed as heretofore, and suffered to accumulate; and that this resolution be in force until repealed by the Convention."

From the report made to the Convention in 1837, it would appear that on the 1st of December, 1836, the system contemplated by the above resolutions went into operation, and since that day the Bishop of the Diocese has received the income of \$90,000. By the same report, it appears that the Episcopal Fund amounted, with interest to 1st of October, 1837, to \$191,732 98, leaving a surplus, after deducting the \$90 000, amounting to \$11,732 98. The Report for the present year not having been made, we are informed by the Trustees, that this surplus amounts to \$12,648 82.

In the fulfilment of the duties committed to them by the Convention, your Committee addressed a letter to the Vestry of Trinity Church in the City of New York, stating their appointment; that they conceived it would be useful to have a conference with that Vestry, or a Committee of its body, and that the object of such a conference would be to ascertain what aid that Vestry were disposed to render towards the support of the Episcopate in that Diocese to which the Bishop should not elect to attach himself. In answer to this communication, your Committee has been furnished with the following copy of certain proceedings of the Corporation of that Church:—

At an adjourned meeting of the Corporation of Trinity Church, in the city of New-York, held in their vestry office, on the twenty-seventh day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight:

The Special Committee, to whom was referred the communication made to the Vestry at its last meeting, on behalf of the late Special Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York, made a report, which being read and considered, was accepted and approved, and the resolutions therein recommended, and thereto annexed, were severally passed by the Vestry; and the said report, together with the said resolutions, were ordered to be entered at large on the minutes of the Vestry, and copies thereof were directed to be furnished to the Committee of the Convention, whose signatures are affixed to the said communication; which report and resolutions are in the following words:—

The Committee on the communication lately presented to the Vestry, on behalf of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York, have given to this subject all the attention demanded by its high importance.

The expense of the Episcopate in this Diocese having, until recently, been sustained by this Corporation, the fund destined for its permanent support was, for a long series of years, left to a course of gradual and steady accumulation.

When, in the judgment of the Convention, the number of clergymen and parishes within the Diocese had so increased as to require the undivided care and attention of the Bishop, relieved from all parochial charge, this Vestry, with a view to the early augmentation of the Episcopal Fund to an amount which should afford an income sufficient for his independent support, voluntarily engaged to add to it thirty thousand dollars, so soon as the fund should be raised to seventy thousand dollars; on condition that the capital should remain inviolate, and that on a division of the Diocese, the said sum of thirty thousand dollars, and half the residue of the fund, should belong to that part of the Diocese in which the city of New-York might be situate.

In the year 1836 the Convention agreed to these conditions, and resolved, that whenever the Episcopal Fund should amount to one hundred thousand dollars, the interest arising from ninety thousand dollars thereof should be applied to the support of the Bishop of the Diocese, and that the residue should be left to accumulate.

About or soon after this period, the fund was found to exceed seventy thousand dollars; the promised donation was accordingly made, and the dispositions directed by the Convention on that event have gone into effect.

The erection of the new Diocese, lately determined upon by the State, and

since sanctioned by the General Convention, involves the appointment of another Bishop, and the necessity of provision for his support.

The existing fund being inadequate to afford such support, without a material diminution of the sum already appropriated for that of the present Bishop, the Convention, in this exigency, appeal for aid to the bounty of this Corporation.

If by this, or other, means, the necessary aid shall not be secured, it will devolve on the Convention to make such division of the Episcopal Fund, in conformity with the conditions annexed to the former grant by this Corporation, as they may consider fit and expedient.

Should they deem it consistent with the just rights and expectations of the present Diocesan, to withdraw a portion of the sum already appropriated to his support, then, judging from all past experience, his income will be insufficient to meet his necessary expenses whilst resident in this city.

On the other hand, should that appropriation be continued during his incumbency, the income of the remaining disposable portion of the fund, will be altogether inadequate to the support of the Episcopate in the new Diocese.

Such are the facts and circumstances connected with the present application. The case presented is one of great delicacy and importance, in reference to the harmony and essential interests of the two Dioceses; and one of great practical difficulty, at the present time, in its bearing on the financial arrangements of this Corporation.

Assuming the continued existence, on the part of this Vestry, of the disposition which they have ever manifested to render their available resources instrumental in advancing the prosperity of the Church in this State, the Committee have entered on the duties of their appointment with an earnest desire to devise some plan by which, through the intervention of, and with the least possible inconvenience to, the Vestry, the Convention may be relieved from its present embarrassment.

The claim of the new Diocese is understood to extend to half the capital of the Episcopal Fund, beyond the donation of \$30,000; such half being \$35,000. To meet this claim, there remains unappropriated only the \$10,000 left for accumulation by the Convention, the amount of which, when it shall be necessary to resort to it for the support of the Episcopate in the new Diocese, may be estimated at \$13,000; thus leaving a deficiency of \$22,000 to make up the \$35,000. The annual interest on this deficiency, at 7 per cent., is \$1,540; and if provision be made for the payment of this sum, annually, such payment, with the accruing interest (at the same rate) of the \$13,000, will be equivalent to the entire interest of the \$35,000.

The Committee, after mature reflection, recommended to the Vestry that, for a limited period, this Corporation shall, towards the support of the Episcopate within the new Diocese, assume the payment annually of the interest on the above mentioned sum of \$22,000, or in round numbers, the annual sum of \$1,600, in quarterly payments. This engagement to continue in force for a period not exceeding thirteen years, which, in the opinion of the Committee, is amply sufficient to enable the conventions of the two Dioceses, by collections and accumulations of interest, to add to the actual capital of the Episcopal Fund, the further sum of \$22,000; so as, with the present excess of the fund beyond the \$30,000, to constitute a separate fund of at least \$35,000 for the support of the Episcopate in the new Diocese.

In the judgment of the Committee, the plan devised by our venerated predecessors, in the management of the temporal concerns of the Church, of raising a fund for the permanent support of the Episcopate, by the voluntary offerings of Episcopalians, was founded on considerations of sound policy and wisdom; and in relation to the new Diocese, ought to be persevered in until the object be fully accomplished. On this ground, therefore, not less than on others applicable to the particular circumstances of this Corporation, the Committee recommend that the continuance of collections for the Episcopal Fund in both Dioceses, be made a condition of the aid proposed; so that this aid, being temporary, the original character of the permanent fund may be preserved.

It is understood that there are, at this time, about 240 Episcopal congregations within this state. If, therefore, the annual collections in each should average ten dollars, the annual amount would be \$2,400, which, with the accumulating interest at 6 per cent., would carry the fund to \$22,000 in about eight years.

Assuming five dollars to be the average amount of collections in each congregation, and making no allowance for the increase of their number, and estimating the rate of interest at 6 per cent., thirteen years would be more than sufficient to produce that result. Without counting on the motives to increased zeal and energy, which, under the circumstances supposed, ought to animate the members of our communion in both Dioceses, it cannot be doubted that the end in view may be accomplished, without the least pressure on them, much within the period proposed to be limited for the continuance of the annual allowance now recommended.

On these principles, and with a view to the final adjustment of all questions connected with the apportionment of the Episcopal Fund between the two Dioceses, the Committee submit the following resolutions to the consideration and adoption of the Vestry :—

RESOLUTIONS.

I. *Resolved*, That under the circumstances in which, by the recent division of the Diocese, the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State has been placed in regard to the support of the Episcopate in each division, this Corporation will undertake, for the period of thirteen years next after a Bishop, to be elected by the new Diocese, shall enter upon the duties of his office, to pay towards his support the annual sum of sixteen hundred dollars, by quarterly payments, upon, and subject to, the following conditions, viz :

1. That the accruing interest on the whole excess of the present Episcopal Fund beyond ninety thousand dollars, (of which the interest has been appropriated by the Convention,) be applied to the support of the Episcopate in the new Diocese, as soon as it shall be supplied with a Bishop.

2. That collections, for the Episcopal Fund, be continued in both Dioceses for the period of at least thirteen years from the termination of the present year; such collections to be made annually in all the congregations, and to be required, and bona fide enforced, under the authority of the Convention of each Diocese; the fund to continue under the management of the present Trustees, or their successors in office, until otherwise arranged by the concurrent act of both Conventions.

3. That the moneys collected during the above mentioned period of thirteen years shall be kept in a course of regular accumulation, and subject to no appropriation, as to capital or interest, by either Convention. At the expiration of that period, these moneys, with all their accumulations, and also all the excess of the capital of the present fund, beyond the said sum of ninety thousand dollars, to constitute a separate fund for the support of the Episcopate within the new Diocese, and to be vested in Trustees to be appointed by its Convention; and so that the interest and income thereof shall for ever be applied to that, and no other purpose, the capital being kept inviolate.

4. That whenever the excess of the capital of the present fund, beyond the said sum of ninety thousand dollars, shall, by collections and accumulations, or otherwise, amount to thirty-five thousand dollars, the said sum of ninety thousand dollars shall constitute a separate fund for the support of the Episcopate within the Diocese in which the city of New York shall be situate, and vested in Trustees to be appointed by its Convention, and so that the interest and income thereof shall for ever be applied to that and no other purpose; the capital being kept inviolate.

5. That these conditions shall be agreed to by the next annual Convention to be held in the city of New York, and also by the first Convention of the new Diocese.

II. *Resolved*, That so much of any former resolutions of the Vestry in re-

lation to the Episcopal Fund, as may be inconsistent with the foregoing resolutions, be repealed.

(Signed,)

T. L. OGDEN.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JON. H. LAWRENCE.

New-York, September 27, 1838.

Extract from the minutes of the Vestry of Trinity Church
in the city of New-York,

T. L. OGDEN, Clerk of the Vestry.

Objections having been made to this plan of relief, proposed by the Vestry of Trinity Church, your Committee, for the purpose of insuring that state of good feeling which is so desirable on the final separation of brethren so long united in one great family, have yielded individual preferences, and have unanimously agreed to recommend to the Convention the most simple and satisfactory mode of removing all difficulty on the subject: that the capital of the Episcopate Fund be divided, retaining to the Diocese to which the Bishop has elected to attach himself, the whole of that fund, excepting thirty-five thousand dollars, and assigning that sum to the other Diocese, for the support of its Bishop. This arrangement will leave to the Diocese in which the City of New-York is situate, the \$30,000 given by Trinity Church in 1836, and one half of \$70,000, according to the conditions of the resolutions before quoted, together with the Surplus Fund, amounting, as we are informed, to \$2,648 82.

There can be no reason to doubt, that the same spirit of Christian liberality which has induced the Vestry of Trinity Church, in the present emergency, to propose giving to the other Diocese \$1600 annually, for a limited time, during which they supposed the necessary capital may be made up by contributions, may be relied upon for the same exigency, until contributions or some provision shall replace the Capital at \$90,000. So long as the same end is accomplished, it can be of little consequence whether the beneficence of the Vestry of Trinity Church is applied in their own or in another Diocese. It appears to your Committee, therefore, that there can be no ground for apprehending any diminution in the present income of the Bishop of the Diocese. And without a deep and thorough conviction that no such diminution will take place, your Committee would have hesitated in recommending the course herein indicated. Under all the circumstances, your Committee unanimously recommend to the Convention the adoption of the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate be directed to transfer and assign securities in their hands to the amount of thirty-five thousand dollars, or to pay over that sum to such persons as shall be appointed to receive the same by the Convention of that Diocese in the state of New-York to which the Bishop has not elected to attach himself, upon their producing due proof of their appointment—the said capital sum of thirty-five thousand dollars to remain inviolate, and the interest and income thereof to be applied to the support of the Episcopate of the said Diocese.

Resolved, That so much of the resolutions passed by the Convention of this Diocese in 1836, as is inconsistent with the foregoing resolution, be repealed.

Signed by order of the Committee.

JONA. M. WAINWRIGHT, Chairman.

New-York, Oct. 4, 1838.

The report was accepted, and the resolutions submitted by the Committee were UNANIMOUSLY adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Wainwright then offered the following resolution, which was adopted :—

Resolved, That the residue of the Episcopate Fund, after paying the sum of \$35,000 as already directed by this Convention, be and remain in the hands of the said Trustees, and their successors, a fund for the support of a Bishop in that Diocese of the state of New-York to which the Bishop of this Diocese has elected to attach himself, subject to the existing regulations and conditions respecting the Episcopate Fund of this Diocese, so far as those regulations are not affected by these resolutions.

The following report on the subject of the number of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary to which each of the Dioceses will be entitled, was then presented :—

The Committee appointed at the Adjourned Session of the Special Convention held in the city of New York, on the eleventh day of September last, and which was directed to consider the subject of the number of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary which each of the Dioceses will be entitled to nominate, and how vacancies in the existing number of Trustees from this Diocese shall be supplied, respectfully report—

By the Constitution of the General Theological Seminary, it is provided, "that every Diocese shall be entitled to one Trustee, and one additional Trustee for every eight Clergymen in the same; and to one additional Trustee for every two thousand dollars of money, in any way given or contributed in the same, to the funds of the Seminary, until the sum amounts to ten thousand dollars; and one additional Trustee for every ten thousand dollars of contributions and donations as aforesaid, exceeding that sum." Under this provision, this Diocese now has fifty-seven Trustees of the Seminary; and out of these, eight reside west of the boundary line between the two Dioceses into which this is about to be divided.

There are believed to be sixty-six Clergymen in the contemplated Diocese west of the said boundary line, which number, according to the provision before quoted, would entitle that Diocese to eight Trustees. The Diocese, as such, is entitled to one Trustee, but this one is an increase to the whole number, and should not be deducted from the number to which the Diocese of New-York is now entitled, as no nomination of Trustees is to be made until the next Triennial General Convention of our Church; and as the number of Trustees to which each Diocese will then be entitled, will be ascertained by the application of the constitutional provision to the then number of Clergymen in each, there is not only no occasion, but it would seem improper, for this Convention to adopt any measure in reference to that part of the subject. But the number of Trustees to which the respective Dioceses may be entitled by virtue of contributions and donations heretofore made, can be determined only by this Convention declaring what portions of those contributions shall be deemed to have been obtained from each Diocese. Such declaration would doubtless be satisfactory evidence of the fact to the General Convention. The whole amount contributed by this state is about \$157,000. There are no means of ascertaining, with precise accuracy, the sums obtained from the citizens of the different portions. And for the purpose of disposing of the matter, by fixing on some conjectural amount, the Committee have agreed to recommend the sum of ten thousand dollars as having been contributed by that portion of the state west of the before mentioned boundary line.

As the Constitution provides, that in the interval between the stated meetings of the General Convention, the Board of Trustees shall have power to supply all vacancies from the Dioceses respectively in which they may have occurred, that part of the subject does not seem to require any action by this Convention.

The Committee recommend to the Convention the adoption of the following resolution :—

Resolved, That in order to facilitate the determination as to the number of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, which the respective Dioceses within this state will be entitled to nominate to the next stated meeting of the General Convention, it shall be deemed, and is hereby agreed, that in that portion of the state west of the boundary line which has been designated as the division line between the two Dioceses, there has heretofore been contributed the sum of ten thousand dollars, forming a portion of the whole amount contributed by this Diocese to the funds of the said Seminary; and that this Diocese consents that five Trustees of the Seminary may be nominated to the next General Convention by the Diocese west of the said boundary line, in virtue of the said Constitution.

Signed by order of the Committee.

JONA. M. WAINWRIGHT, *Chairman*.

The report was accepted, and the resolution adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Wainwright,

Resolved, That this Convention hereby pledge themselves, that the income of the sum of \$90,000, appropriated by the resolutions of this Convention in 1836, to the support of the Bishop of the Diocese, shall not be diminished; and that a Committee be appointed, with power to make provision for carrying this pledge into effect.

The Chair appointed the following gentlemen as the Committee:—Rev. Drs. Wainwright and H. Potter, and Messrs. Wm. H. Harison, Samuel Jones, and Stephen Warren.

President Hale submitted the following resolution, which was adopted :—

Resolved, That the Diocese *east* of the division line between the two Dioceses of the Church in this state retain the name of "The Diocese of New-York," and that the Diocese *west* of the said division line be denominated "The Diocese of Western New-York." And it is hereby declared, that the Church, in the portion of the state eastward of the division line, is that portion meant by the words, "the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York," as heretofore used.

The Special Committee appointed at the last Convention on the proposed Canon, made the following Report :—

The Committee to whom was referred the proposed canon "*of Committees for the promotion of Christian knowledge*," having met on the subject committed to them, have concluded to request to be discharged, under the impression that the division of the Diocese will probably render desirable a general revision of the Constitution and Canons, in order to adapt them to a Diocese of less extent than the state, when all desirable changes in the Canons, or additions thereto, may be brought to the notice of the Convention. The Committee, therefore, respectfully ask to be discharged.

By order of the Committee.

BENJ. T. ONDERDONK, *Chairman*.

The report was accepted, and the Committee discharged.

The following communication from the Education and Missionary Society was read :—

At the Annual Meeting of the Education and Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the state of New-York, held at the school-room at St. John's Chapel, on the evening of Wednesday the 3d of October, 1838—

A Report was received from the Board of Managers of said Society, stating that at a meeting held on Tuesday the 2d of October, it was unanimously

Resolved, That Article I. of the Constitution be so amended as to read—
"The Education and Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the *Diocese* of New-York." or such other title as the Convention at its next Session may adopt as the title of the Diocese in which the city of New-York is situated.

Resolved, That Article XVI. of the Constitution be amended, by striking out the words "*day other than Sunday*," in lines 3 and 4, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "*Wednesday*."

Whereupon, it was *Resolved, unanimously*, That said amendments to the Constitution proposed and adopted by the Board of Managers, be adopted by this Society.

Resolved, That an attested copy be furnished to the Convention of the Diocese.
(A true copy.)

THOS. C. BUTLER, *Secretary*.

Article XVI. will read, "It shall be the duty of the Board of Managers to hold stated meetings on the day other than Sunday, next before the Annual Meeting of the Society, and on Wednesday next after the adjournment of the Annual Convention of the Diocese," &c. &c.

The Convention, on motion, agreed to the alterations in the Constitution, and the Secretary was directed to furnish a copy of this proceeding to the Secretary of said Society.

Mr. William Johnson tendered the resignation of Mr. David S. Jones, as a Trustee of the Episcopal Fund; which was accepted, and Mr. Christopher Wolfe was appointed in his place.

The Rev. James C. Richmond submitted the following resolution, the consideration of which, on motion of Rev. Dr. Anthon, was indefinitely postponed.

Resolved, That this Convention hereby express their sense of the impropriety of a departure from the provisions of the last rubric, preceding the office for the ministration of the public baptism of infants, and request that its provisions may henceforward be complied with.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, it was

Resolved, That a Special Committee be appointed, to whom it shall be referred to inquire what changes, if any, are made necessary in the Constitution and Canons by the division of the Diocese, or from any other cause; and if any such changes are necessary, in their opinion, to report the same to the next Convention.

The Chair appointed, as said Committee, Rev. Drs. Hawks and Smith, Rev. Lot Jones, and Messrs. Thomas L. Ogden and Samuel Jones.

The Standing Committee on the Theological Seminary presented the following report, which was accepted :

The Committee on the Theological Seminary, having been anticipated in their duties by the Committee of the adjourned Special Convention of this Diocese, report that they have nothing to add to the statements made by that Committee.

W. CREIGHTON, *Chairman*.

The Chair announced that President Duer declined a re-appointment as a member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

The house then adjourned until half past 7 o'clock this evening.

FRIDAY, HALF PAST 7, P. M.

Convention met.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

On motion, the Bishop was added to the Committee on Alterations in the Constitution and Canons, as Chairman.

The House then proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee, and the Delegates to the General Convention.

Rev. Dr. Hawks, and Mr. William Johnson, declined a re-election on the Standing Committee.

The Rev. Drs. Berrian, Lyell, M'Vickar, and Taylor of the Clergy, and Messrs. T. L. Ogden, Floyd Smith, Murray Hoffman, and Gulian C. Verplanck, of the Laity, were elected members of the Standing Committee.

The Standing Committee on the Diocesan Fund, made the following Report, which was accepted, and the resolution adopted :

The Committee on the proper appropriation of the money received into the Diocesan Fund, having considered the subject referred to them, respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution :—

Resolved, That there be paid to the Clergy entitled to the benefit of the said Fund, who reside more than twenty miles from this city, three cents per mile, for every mile of the distance from their respective parishes ; and that the remainder be appropriated to the printing of the Journal, the liquidating of the debt of the Convention, and such other purposes as the Convention may direct.

L. P. BAYARD,
W. S. DE ZENG,
C. N. S. ROWLAND.

On motion of Mr. T. L. Ogden, the following preamble and resolution were adopted.

Whereas by the recent appropriation of a large portion of the Episcopal Fund of this Diocese, to the support of the Episcopate in the new Diocese

of Western New-York, the income of the residue will be so reduced as to be inadequate to the support of the Episcopate in the Diocese of New-York, as at present constituted; therefore,

Resolved, That the Canons, heretofore passed in relation to annual contributions for the said fund, be henceforth considered as obligatory on all the ministers and parishes of this Church, within the last mentioned Diocese, notwithstanding any resolutions of a different import; and that such annual contributions be henceforth regularly continued, and kept in a course of accumulation, until the fund for the support of the Episcopate in the last mentioned Diocese, in the whole, shall amount to the capital sum of one hundred thousand dollars, as originally contemplated.

Sundry changes in the Constitution were proposed, and approved; and laid over until the next Convention, as follows:

That the Constitution of this Diocese be altered, by striking out the word "State" in the first and third article, and inserting the word "Diocese;" also, that the word "State" be stricken out of the title, and the word "Diocese" inserted; and, also, that instead of the words in article one, "First Thursday in October," be inserted "last Wednesday in September."

It is proposed at the end of the third article of the Constitution, to add the words, "and Clergymen of this Diocese, who are disabled by age, or infirmity, from holding any parochial cure."

A further change is proposed in this article, by transferring the clause in regard to lay members, to the close of the article; after all the different classes of Clergymen have been specified.

Article eight, instead of "the next ensuing," insert, "such next."

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Taylor,

Resolved, That on and after the 1st of November, the Missionary Board of the Education and Missionary Society, be the Missionary Board of the Diocese of New-York, for all purposes contemplated in the Canon respecting Missionaries, adopted at the late Special Convention.

The following gentlemen were elected Delegates to the General Convention, viz.: Rev. Drs. Lyell, Milnor, Anthon, and Hawks, of the Clergy; and Messrs. P. A. Jay, T. L. Ogden, Stephen Warren and James Emmot, of the Laity; and the following as supplemental Delegates, viz.: Rev. Drs. Eastburn, McVickar, Berrian, and Bayard, of the Clergy; and Messrs. William Johnson, P. G. Stuyvesant, Floyd Smith, and Gulian C. Verplanck, of the Laity.

Mr. C. N. S. Rowland was re-elected Treasurer of the Convention.

The Committee on that part of the Bishop's Address relating to Christian Education, and on the communication of the Rev. Dr. Muhlenberg, made a report. On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, chairman of the same, the Committee had leave to withdraw the Report, and the communication of the Rev. Dr. Muhlenberg.

The Rev. Dr. Hawks then resigned the office of Secretary to the Convention; whereupon, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Whittingham, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be tendered to the Rev. Dr. Hawks, for the faithful and efficient manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office.

On motion, the usual number of copies of the Journal were ordered to be printed under the direction of the Assistant Secretary.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Milnor, the following entry was ordered to be made on the Journal :

The measures for the division of this Diocese having been commenced in a spirit of brotherly love, and with a view to the best interests of religion and the Church, and having, under the blessing of God, been brought to a happy conclusion : and the moment being at hand, when, in consequence of the harmonious action on this subject in this Convention, and in the General Convention of the Church, the members of the former are about to separate, not to meet together again as one body : this Convention desires, as its last solemn act, to record on its Journal the expression of its devout gratitude to Almighty God, for the amicable spirit and propitious termination of their deliberations, and of the entire good will and affection with which they now part from each other ; as well as their mutual resolution, in their future separate spheres of duty, still to cultivate the most friendly relations towards each other, and to redouble their efforts for the promotion of the glory of God, the cause of the Redeemer, and the prosperity of our beloved Church, as his gracious Providence may afford them opportunities, and his spirit ability for that purpose.

The minutes having been read and approved, and the Convention having united in prayer with the Bishop, and having received his blessing, adjourned *sine die*.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, D. D.,

Bishop of the Diocese of New-York, and President of the Convention.

Attest,

BENJAMIN I. HAIGHT, *Acting Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

No. I.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

The following portions of the parochial reports are published by direction of the Bishop :

St. Paul's Church, Albany ; the REV. WILLIAM I. KIP, Rector.

Communicants (added 47, died 4, removed from the city 12, debarred 2) 130. Baptisms (adults 2, infants 51) 53. Marriages 15 ; Funerals 22.

Sunday School teachers (male 10, female 19) 29 ; scholars, (male 74, female 121) 195 ; vols. in Library 273.

The Parish Library, commenced during the past year, contains about 175 volumes.

St. Peter's Church, Albany ; the REV. HORATIO POTTER, D. D., Rector.

The services in the parish, and the state of the congregation, have been much the same as during the preceding year. Contributions have been made as usual to the diocesan and general charities of the Church, amounting to between five and six hundred dollars.

Baptisms (infants 41, adult 1) 42 ; Marriages 10 ; Deaths 17 ; Sunday school, teachers 17, scholars 125, average attendance about 75 ; Communicants (removed 12, died 4, added 19) about 185.

Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, Albany county ; the REV. SAMUEL FULLER, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 7, infant 1) 8 ; Confirmed 12 ; Communicants (added 14, died 3, removed 2) 61 ; Funerals 5 ; Sunday school, teachers 10, scholars about 25 ; Library about 100 small volumes.

Collections :—

Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	-	\$4 50
Missionary,	-	-	-	-	7 30
Education,	-	-	-	-	3 94
Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	4 50
Tract,	-	-	-	-	2 00
Bible and Prayer-book,	-	-	-	-	3 00

St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenango county ; the REV. WILLIAM E. EIGENBRODT, Deacon, Minister.

From its first organization, until January last, this Church, in connection with St. Matthew's, Unadilla, Otsego county, enjoyed the services of the Rev. Norman H. Adams. At that time, the interests of both congregations rendered necessary to each the distinct services of a clergyman. Accordingly, by the restriction of his faithful labors to the large parish of Unadilla, this Church, with great reluctance, parted from a pastor, long and deeply revered

and beloved by both his flocks ; and thereafter, excepting two or three occasional services, continued destitute, until the entrance of the present incumbent upon his duties in August last. Since then there have been 3 infant baptisms ; there are 41 Communicants, 1 having removed and 1 been added.

There have been also made the following contributions :—

Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	\$7 00
Gen. Theological Seminary,	5 00
Bible and Common Prayer-book Society,	3 00
Episcopal Fund,	2 00
Diocesan Fund,	1 00

The children of the congregation are religiously instructed by the minister, and a Bible class is just about to be commenced.

Zion Church, Greene, Chenango County ; the Rev. JOHN V. VAN INGEN, Minister, and until the first of April last, Missionary.

The Missionary report embraces six months, from October 1, 1837, to April 1, 1838, at which last date this parish ceased to be a Missionary station.

During this period the Missionary preached regularly at Greene on Sundays ; in Coventry on week days, sixteen times ; and in other neighboring places ten times on Sunday or week day evenings : on one Sunday he embraced the opportunity of a visit from the Rev. Mr. Brayton, (who preached for him at Greene,) to preach and administer the Communion at Coventry. A Class for instruction in the Catechism and Scriptures recited to him at each of his visits to Coventry ; and the influence of religion on the hearts and lives of the members of the Church there, is evidenced in a very encouraging degree, to the praise of the Gospel. In another place, services that had been held with an evident blessing in the seriousness and attention increasingly exhibited in the attendants, (mostly strangers to the Church,) were interrupted and broken up ; and a severe and persecuting bigotry, (directed indiscriminately to all but one denomination,) was inspired, by the getting up, through the instrumentality of a few, of a protracted meeting. The Missionary withdrew at once from all contest or collision with the promoters of the meeting ; but has had the satisfaction to see the services of the Church more decidedly preferred and held to by sober Christian men in that neighborhood, who were importuned in vain to take part in the measures for temporary excitement.

In making this his last Missionary report, the late Missionary would express for himself and his people the grateful sense entertained by them of the Christian kindness and pious labours of those who contribute of their time and substance to the maintenance of a charity at once so useful and so necessary ; and he may be permitted to assure them, that there is in the result of his own observation, in Missionary parishes, every thing to *call for* and *to reward* their most generous and abundant exertions in their good work, till, so far as in them lies, the comfortable Gospel of Christ shall be truly preached, truly received, and truly followed, in all places within *our state*. No longer receiving Missionary bounty, he the more freely bears this testimony, because there can be no suspicion of an interested motive.

Note. The village of Greene enjoyed Missionary aid, (affording services half the time,) for about two years previous to the winter of 1834-5. At the commencement of that period, March 12, 1833, a parish was organized with difficulty, for want of a sufficient number of laymen friendly to the Church to form a vestry. In the winter of 1834-5, a convenient and pretty Church was *finished* ;—and the *building* paid for in 1835, without much foreign aid, except a donation of \$500 from Trinity Church, New-York. In September, 1835, a Clergyman was settled, with full Missionary stipend, and although the burden of a debt of about \$500, incurred for the furniture of the Church, (organ, books, bell, &c.) would have rendered the aid of the Society for a year or two longer very grateful ; yet the parish, numbering now near 50 communicants, and 60 families, has gone on, (October 1, 1838,) for six months, and if the same spirit be still exhibited, is likely to go on well upon its own resources ;

and it is gratifying to reflect, that some feeblér Church is probably enjoying that aid which, though useful and needed here, is not yet, and we trust will not be, found indispensable. In such results, is there not a reward of past exertion, and a call to perseverance?

Baptisms, &c., noted in the *parochial* report, which is as follows :—

Families connected with the parish 62, Baptisms (infants 4, adults 1) 5, Communicants (died 1, removed 3, added 4) 50, Marriages 2, Burials 7, Sunday scholars 80, attending 60.

Collections :—

General Missionary Society, (partly from children of the	
Sunday school,	\$6 78
Diocesan Missionary Society (in part of \$10) to be paid for	
this year to Education Branch,	5 00
Episcopal fund,	1 00
Diocesan,	2 00
Bible and Prayer-book Society,	2 00
Tract Society,	2 00
Towards paying debt of the parish, and other local objects,	107 00
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	\$125 78

St. Paul's Church, Oxford, Chenango County; the Rev. LEVERETT BUSH, Rector.

Communicants (added 1) 71, Baptisms (infants) 3, Marriages 3, Burials 4, Sunday scholars 40.

Collections :

Female Missionary Association,	\$27 50
Missionary,	6 00
Bible and Prayer-book Society,	7 50
Theological Seminary,	6 50
Tract Society,	6 40

Trinity Church, Plattsburgh, Clinton county; the Rev. JOSEPH H. CORT, Rector.

Number of Communicants 50, Baptisms (adult 1, infants 8) 9, Marriages 6, Sunday scholars 60.

Christ Church, Hudson: the Rev. ISAAC PARDEE, Rector.

Baptisms (children) 10, Funerals 12, Marriages 7, Communicants (died 2, removed 4) present number 106.

Collections, Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society :—

Foreign,	\$15 00
Domestic,	15 00
Education and Missionary Society :—	
Missionary,	12 00
Education,	11 00
Theological Seminary,	20 00
Diocesan fund,	11 00
Sunday school,	50 00

\$134 00

Sunday school scholars, about 200. Average attendance, from 100 to 150. The Sunday school is highly prosperous, and exerts a most favorable influence on the parish. The exercises are constantly attended by the Rector, and the school is entirely under his control. 100 of the Children's Maga-

zine are gratuitously distributed. The Church has been opened on the principal festivals and fasts, and also on each day during passion week. There has also been a weekly lecture during most of the year.

Calvary Church, Homer, Cortland county; the Rev. HENRY GREGORY, Rector.

Present number of Episcopal families 23, Baptized individuals (adults but not yet Communicants 7, children under 14 years of age 21) 28, Baptisms in the year (adults 1, children 2) 3, Communicants (removed 8, added 12) 40, Marriages 3. No funerals and no confirmations during the year.

In the Sunday school,—Scholars 35, Teachers (male 4, female 4) 8.

Members of the Bible class 26.

In Sunday School Library 200 volumes; Parish Library 121 volumes.

The offerings of the congregation, for religious purposes, continue to be made regularly on the first day of the week. They have been appropriated during the year as follows:—

To the funds of the Diocesan Education and Missionary Society,	
Education fund,	\$2
Missionary fund,	6
To the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union,	
Central Bible and Prayer-book Society,	3
New-York Bible and Prayer-book Society,	2
General Theological Seminary,	2
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	2
Committee on Domestic Missions,	15
Committee on Foreign Missions,	5

St. John's Church, Delhi, Delaware county; the Rev. THOMAS S. JUDD, Rector.

Families 51, Baptisms (adults 3, infants and children 17) 20, Communicants (added 8) 56, Marriages 4, Funerals 4.

Sunday school,—Scholars 50, Teachers 6.

St. Peter's Church, Hobart, Delaware county; the Rev. DAVID HUNTINGTON, Rector.

Baptisms (adult 1, children 3) 4; Communicants (died 4, removed 3, added 8) present number 60; Marriages 13; Deaths 18.

Collection:—

Missionary branch of the Education and Mis. Soc., \$5 00

Trinity Church, Fishkill, Dutchess county; the Rev RICHARD F. BURNHAM, Rector.

The Rector of this parish assumed its duties in February last. He cannot speak very favorably of this old parish, which was organized before the Revolutionary War. It has seen better days, but having been deprived for long periods of the services of a minister, it has sadly decreased in number, and it is feared, will continue to decrease, unless ministerial services are regularly afforded it, which cannot be until a greater effort is made for the support of a Rector.

A Sunday school is attached to the parish, having an average attendance of about *twelve*. It is thought the school might be increased to a *respectable* number, could more teachers be obtained. Present number of teachers, two only, whose services are *regularly* afforded.

Baptisms, children 5, (administered by the Rector's immediate predecessor, the Rev. Colley A. Foster;) Burials (child 1, adult 1) 2; Communicants (removed 1) about 19.

St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, Dutchess county ; the Rev. ANTHONY TEN BROECK, Deacon, Minister.

Baptized (adults 5, children 25) 30 ; one *private* baptism has been *certified* ; confirmed 14 ; Communicants (added 18, removed 4) 54 ; Married 3 ; Buried (not of the parish 3) 6.

The Sunday School numbers about 100 scholars. It is under the immediate supervision of the pastor. During a part of the year the children have been catechised, in presence of the congregation, after Divine service, on the afternoon of the first Sunday in the month. A class for catechetical instruction, and also a Bible class, for young persons, have met weekly from the 1st of May. From the 1st of November to the 1st of May, an *adult* Bible class met weekly, and during the same period, a *lecture* was delivered weekly, after Divine service. Divine service has been celebrated also on Christmas day, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday ; every Wednesday in Lent, and Tuesday in Easter week.

Contributions :—

Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	\$26 00
N. Y. Bible and Prayer-book Society,	-	-	-	9 75
Prot. Epis. Tract Society,	-	-	-	6 50
Gen. Prot. Epis. Theo. Seminary,	-	-	-	12 00
Education,	-	-	-	10 00
Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	28 00
Domestic "	-	-	-	30 00
Parish Sunday School,	-	-	-	51 44
" Poor fund,	-	-	-	80 21
Diocesan fund,	-	-	-	7 50

In addition to the above contributions, the debt of the parish, (\$4,500,) has been entirely discharged, through the liberality of two gentlemen of the Vestry, aided by a donation of \$1,250 from Trinity Church, New-York. The same gentlemen have purchased a house and lot, which they have appropriated for the accommodation of the clergyman of the parish for a time ; offering to have it permanently secured as a *Rectory* on terms with which other members of the parish can hardly fail to comply.

The present condition of the parish, and its progress during the past year, with regard both to temporal and spiritual affairs, are highly gratifying and encouraging, and call for devout thankfulness to the Author of all good.

St. James' Church, Hyde Park, Dutchess county ; the Rev. REUBEN SHERWOOD, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 1, infants 11) 12 ; Marriages 4 ; Communicants (removed and died 3, added 7) 56 ; Burials (of persons not belonging to the Parish 3) 7 ; Sunday scholars about 90 ; average attendance between 50 and 60.

Collections :—

Missionary and Education Society,	-	-	\$35 00
Episcopal fund,	-	-	5 00
Diocesan fund,	-	-	12 00

About \$90 for the poor and other parish purposes.

Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county ; the Rev. JOHN REED, D. D., Rector.

Number of families 191 ; Communicants 197 ; Marriages 27 ; Baptisms (adults 5, children 23) 28 ; Sunday scholars 90, teachers 11.

Collections :—

General Mission,	-	-	-	\$20 05
Diocesan,	-	-	-	23 00
An association of Ladies will pay the Missionary Society,	-	-	-	350 00

St. Paul's Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county; the Rev. FREDERICK W. HATCH, Rector.

The Rector reports an increased and constantly increasing attendance on the services of the sanctuary. He doubts not there is an improved state of religious feeling pervading the congregation, and is encouraged to believe that the accommodations which his Church affords will, at an early period, be fully occupied by devout worshippers.

The constant attendance of more than one hundred youth belonging to the Poughkeepsie Collegiate School, under the care of Charles Bartlett, Esq., and the young ladies attached to Miss Bosworth's Female Academy, present an interesting sight. On the whole, he has much reason to be thankful for the divine blessing on his labors thus far.

Communicants about 35; Baptisms (adults 2, infants 7) 9; Funerals 1; Marriages 1.

St. Paul's Church, Red Hook, Dutchess county; and Trinity Church, Ulster, Ulster county; the Rev. RAVAUD KEARNY, Rector.

St. Paul's Church, Red Hook.—Baptisms 6; Communicants about 20; Burials 4. This is but a summer congregation, consisting, principally, of wealthy families, who have their country seats in the vicinity. The average attendance, during the past season, has been unusually large.

Trinity Church, Ulster.—Baptisms 19; Marriage 1; Communicants 29; Burials 10. Through the untiring pious munificence of a lady of the congregation, a neat steeple is now in the course of erection; while we are indebted to the liberality of a member of St. Paul's Chapel, New-York, for one of the recently imported Spanish bells.

Collection in the above Churches:—

For the Diocesan Missionary Fund, - - \$20 00

Zion Church, Wappinger's Creek, Dutchess county; the Rev. GEORGE B. ANDREWS, Rector.

Marriages 4; Baptisms (adults 3, children 13) 16; Sunday scholars 106; Superintendent 1, Teachers 11, 12; Confirmed 8; Communicants (died 1, removed 3, added 24) present number 45; Burials 8.

Collected:—

For Education and Missionary Society, - - \$23 62

A Bible class of rising thirty persons attends at the Church weekly through the winter.

Regular services in Zion Church twice on the Sunday throughout the year. Wednesday evening services in Church from November 1st to July 1st.

Frequent services during Lent. Every evening during Passion Week. Services on Good Friday and on the principal festivals.

Zion Church has recently sustained the loss, by death, of her First Warden, Judge Mesier, a principal benefactor and pillar of the Church.

A fine-toned Spanish bell has been generously presented this Church by George M. Reese, Esq., of Philadelphia, to whom it is further indebted for several donations.

A marble Baptismal Font we owe to the liberality of St. Mark's Church, city of New-York.

The Church, and its adjoining burial ground, have been neatly enclosed with suitable stone walls.

Through the will and favor of Almighty God, this Church has steadily advanced in both spiritual and temporal prosperity.

A *Parish Library* has just been instituted.

Trinity Church, Buffalo ; the Rev. CICERO S. HAWKS, Rector.

Baptisms 8, Confirmations 4, Communicants 50, Marriages 6, Burials 12.

There is a flourishing Sunday school of 150 scholars, taught by 20 teachers.

A Parish Library, containing 150 volumes, and a Sunday school Library, of 113.

The congregation is still worshipping in the room which they have fitted up for that purpose. They have, however, during the past year, with the assistance of other friends in Buffalo, raised the sum of \$8000, purchased suitable lots for a Church building and parsonage, and commenced the erection of a stone edifice. In addition to this, the parish has raised nearly \$2000 for the contingent expenses of the year.

There seems, therefore, to be much in the state of this parish to gratify its Rector, yet he is willing to confess, though he does it in sadness, that all things are not as he desires they should be.

St. Mark's Church, Le Roy, Genesee county ; the Rev. KENDRICK METCALF, Rector.

Baptisms (infants) 8, Marriages 2, Communicants (added 13, removed 7, died 5) present number 77, Burials 8, Sunday scholars 50, Teachers 12.

Our plan of systematic charity continues to grow in the affections of the parish. Its results for the last year are as follows :—

Offerings of the Church :—		
For Diocesan Institutions,—	Diocesan Missions,	\$50
“ “	To the support of the Missionary at Weathersfield Springs,	20
“ “	N. Y. Bible and Prayer-book Society,	10
“ “	New York Tract Society,	10
For General Institutions,—	Domestic Missions	40
“ “	Foreign Missions,	20
“ “	Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union,	30
“ “	General Theological Seminary,	20
Income of the “ Offertory ”	expended in the parish for the benefit of the poor,	32 41
Offerings of the Sunday School, divided between Domestic and Foreign Missions,		10

A Bible Class is taught by the Rector on Sunday evenings.

Lectures have been delivered on every Wednesday and Friday evening during Lent ; and Divine service has been celebrated on the principal Fasts and Festivals.

The parish has lost some of its most substantial members by removals, though on the whole our numbers are not diminished.

St. Luke's Church, Catskill, Greene county ; the Rev. JOSEPH F. PHILLIPS, Rector.

The parish contained, at the last report, 59 families, (removed 5, dispersed by death of parents 2, added 4) leaving at present 56, comprising (with individual worshippers) about 280 persons ; Baptisms (adults 4, children 7) 11 ; Burials (adults 7, children 9) 16 ; Marriages 2 ; Communicants last reported 92, (removed 14, died 4, added 3) present number 77.

Collections :—

For the Missionary Branch of the Education and Missionary Fund, \$10 25
For the Diocesan Fund, 5 05

There have been, during the year, two services on Sunday, and on Sunday evening instruction to a Bible class.

The festivals and fasts have been commemorated by the proper services, and sermons on the principal.

During Lent there were services on Wednesdays and Fridays; and during Passion week daily.

The Holy Communion is administered monthly.

The number of Catechumens is about 50.

The number of attendants on Sunday school instruction about 50.

The smallness of the sums collected in the parish this year is to be attributed to several causes; among which are, the removal of several families and consequent increased parochial burden on those remaining,—an additional subscription to liquidate an old debt of the Church,—and the diminished ability of the parishioners, owing to the late commercial distress.

Three services have been rendered at Cairo, and three persons (two adults and one infant) baptized.

Trinity Church, Windham, Greene county; the Rev. ORIGEN P. HOLCOMB, Rector.

The Rector officiated in this Church, and parts adjacent, as Missionary, for six months, ending April 1, 1838. In this time, various extra services have been given on the festival of Christmas, and in the season of Lent. His connection with the parish is yet continued, with the reasonable hope, through the Divine blessing, of increased usefulness to the Church and the cause of religion.

New Communicants 4, added by removal 4, died 2, present number 62; Baptisms (infants) 5, Marriages 2, Funerals 5, Confirmed 10.

Communion Collection for Domestic Missions,	-	\$2 75
Collections for Diocesan purposes—Episcopal Fund,	-	1 00
“ “ “ Convention,	-	2 00
“ “ “ Missionary, disposable,	-	3 00

St. Paul's Church, Brownville, Jefferson county; the Rev. FERDINAND ROGERS, Deacon, Minister.

Baptisms (infants 9, adults 1) 10, Marriages 4, Funerals 2, Communicants (added 4, removed 2) present number 20.

During the past year, there has been a considerable increase in attendance, arising perhaps in a great measure from the enjoyment of parochial visiting,—an advantage of which this congregation, not having a resident Clergyman, had to a considerable extent been deprived. It is trusted also that there is an increasing manifestation of interest in spiritual concerns.

I have under my charge also a classical school, the union of which with clerical services alone enable the congregation to support their minister.

Trinity Church, Watertown, Jefferson county; the Rev. CHARLES G. ACLE, Rector.

Under the divine blessing, brighter prospects have opened upon this parish. During the past season there has been a manifest increase of numbers and of regularity in attendance upon the services of the Church. Several new families have rented pews, as well as other individuals who have united for that purpose. At the recent visitation of our Diocesan, a most favorable impression was made upon the minds of many people. A regularity and propriety were discovered in the administering of ordination and confirmation, which called forth gratifying remarks from persons of other denominations. We know, that in a spiritual point of view, the impression was deeply felt by our own people.

The stated services have been regularly performed, with the addition of a weekly lecture. I likewise held Sunday evening lectures in an adjoining village, during the last winter, which were generally very well attended. I have preached several times at Lockport, a neighboring town, and twice at Cape

Vincent, in the north part of the county. I have also preached twice at Lowville. Lewis county, and aided in the organization of a Church at that place.

The Sunday school has suffered some diminution, in consequence of the formation of schools in other congregations; many of their children having been previously connected with our school. It is, however, yet well sustained by the efficient superintendence of one of the wardens, and the instructions of fourteen teachers. The Catechetical exercises, in which the whole school unite after the recitations to the teachers, are conducted by the Rector. The present number of scholars registered is about 80; average attendance, 60.

The other statistics are as follows:—Families 40, Communicants 60, Confirmations 14, Baptisms (adults 2, infants 17) 19, Marriages 8, Funerals 0.

Christ Church, Brooklyn, King's county; the Rev. KINGSTON GODDARD, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 10, adults 2) 12, Burials 8, Marriages 2, Communicants (last year 60, added 20)—total 80; Sunday school scholars (males 68, females 90) 158; whole number instructed since the establishment of the school, on the 21st of May, 1837, 224; teachers now in connection with the school (male 13, female 15) 28.

The present Rector entered upon the discharge of his duties about a year since. During his connection with the parish, he has preached twice on Sundays; held a Bible class during the week, and delivered communion and missionary lectures once a month. Our chapel was opened for Divine service and a sermon on Wednesdays and Fridays during Lent, and every day during Passion week, on Christmas, New Year, and Thanksgiving day. So great has been the increase of the congregation, that the vestry have been obliged to add to their chapel thirty new pews, making the chapel ninety feet in length, and somewhat in the form of a cross. A correct idea will be given of our prosperity, when it is recollected that we are forced into this measure from our actual and immediate wants, it being the intention of the vestry to commence a large Church in the ensuing spring. We have great cause to bless God, "who maketh the weak things of the world confound those who are mighty," for our prosperous and happy state of union and peace. And we are encouraged to redoubled efforts by the success he has already given. The reason why we have made but few collections is, because we have such heavy responsibilities of our own to sustain our annual expenses, amounting to 4000 dollars. Average monthly missionary collections, 20 dollars.

St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn; the Rev. BENJAMIN C. CUTLER, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms (adults 5, infants 50) 55; Deaths 33; Communicants (added 48, died 2) 436; Marriages 18; 58 persons confirmed by the Bishop.

Contributions for various charitable objects from this parish for the past year, \$2,835.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

No. 1—14 male and 23 female teachers; 120 boys, and 216 girls, 336 scholars. In the library, 1116 volumes.

One hundred and twenty-five dollars collected by the children for Missions.

No. 2—Teachers (3 male and 14 female) 17; scholars (37 boys and 63 girls) 100. In the library, 300 volumes. 50 Magazines and 7 Sunday School Visitors taken.

A new Chapel has been added to this Church, and divine service was held on Sunday nights generally the last year.

This parish, notwithstanding the number of new churches recently formed in Brooklyn, continues to flourish, and we thankfully acknowledge the blessings of God.

St. John's Church, Brooklyn ; the Rev. EVAN M. JOHNSON, Rector.

Communicants 121 ; Baptisms (adult 1, children 95) 96 ; Marriages 31.

Collections :—

General Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	\$31 00
State Missions,	-	-	-	80 00
Sunday School,	-	-	-	77 00
Bishop Kemper's College,	-	-	-	50 00
Education purposes,	-	-	-	75 00

The *Sunday school* consists of 28 teachers and 195 children. It has a library of between five and six hundred volumes, and is well conducted and flourishing. A *Ladies' Benevolent Society* is connected with the congregation, and has expended a very considerable amount of money and clothing in relief of the poor. Divine service is celebrated in this Church on every Wednesday morning through the year, and also on Friday mornings, during Lent, at 6 o'clock.

St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn ; a vacant parish.

This Church became vacant by the resignation of the late Rector, in May last, and is now under the care of a Lay Reader. During the year 3 Baptisms and 4 Funerals have taken place, and 4 individuals have been confirmed. The present number of Communicants is 8 ; number of scholars in the Sunday school 90 ; teachers 9. Books added to the library, 100 volumes. About \$175 have been raised for the various objects of the parish.

St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn ; the Rev. THOMAS S. BRITTAN, Rector.

Baptisms (infants) 19 ; Marriages 14 ; Interments 13 ; Communicants (died and removed 20) present number 40.

Sunday school, 8 male, 12 female teachers, 124 scholars.

St. Peter's colored Church, Brooklyn ; A vacant Parish.

The Wardens of St. Peter's Church report, respectfully, in obedience to the Third Section of the Seventh Canon, that since the consecration of their Church, services have been performed regularly, on Sundays, by lay-reading. We cannot refrain, however, from expressing our deep-felt gratitude to the Clergy of Brooklyn and New-York, for their valuable services from time to time ; we also take pleasure in stating, that we have a Sunday school, the attendance of which is increasing ; and could we succeed in getting proper teachers, a very large number of our children would be gathered for Sunday school instruction. We feel encouraged, and trust that the time is not far distant, when pious individuals will come to our assistance.

The statistics of the parish are as follows : Baptisms (adults 4, infants 12) 16 ; Confirmed 6 ; Communicants (2 removed, 1 died, 2 added) 20.

St. Paul's Church, Flatbush, King's county ; the Rev. JAMES COGHLAN, Rector.

The present Rector commenced his duties, on the resignation of the Rev. T. S. Brittan, April 1st, 1838. This Church, which was opened the first time for Divine service, January 1, A. D. 1837, is attended by a very respectable congregation ; although the mass of the inhabitants of Flatbush are of Dutch origin, and consequently members of, and attached to, the Dutch Reformed Church, our little flock is gradually increasing. We have, owing to the zealous exertions of the Ladies of our communion, a very flourishing Sunday

school; and through the Divine blessing on our labors, we trust for a great augmentation of our numbers.

Baptisms 3; Marriages 0; Communicants 12; Burials 2.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers (male 2, female 10) 12; scholars (male 36, female 38) 74.

St. John's Church, Fort Hamilton, King's county; the Rev. JAMES D. CARDER, Rector.

Baptisms (infants) 2; Communicants (added 3, removed 2) 8; Marriages 1; Burials 0; Sunday scholars 20.

The Church has been opened regularly for divine service once on Sundays, during the summer; in the other portions of the year usually once in two or three weeks.

The Rector, owing to his connection with the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions, has been able to give only very limited attention to the parish; but he is thankful in being the humble means of continuing its existence.

St. Mark's Church, Williamsburgh, King's county; the Rev. SAMUEL C. DAVIS, Rector.

This parish owes its existence to the faithful labors of the Rev. William Morris, through whose exertions it was organized and received into the Convention at its last Annual Session, and by whom it was regularly supplied with one service on each Lord's Day, for a considerable space of time.

About the first of May last Mr. Morris resigned the Rectorship, and the present incumbent was called and accepted the invitation to the same.

Since my connection with the parish I have been employed in the usual Sunday services, and other parochial duties, and have likewise devoted some time to its temporal interests by soliciting donations and subscriptions toward the erection of a parish church. Heretofore the congregation has worshipped stately in the *Justice's Court Room* of the village, but I am happy to say that, through the public spirit and liberality of two gentlemen of the Vestry, we are now supplied with a very neat and commodious edifice, which we call the *Chapel of St. Mark's Church*, and which was solemnly consecrated to the worship and service of Almighty God on the 22d day of September last, by the Bishop of the Diocese.

For the present the parish is thus conveniently accommodated with a suitable place of worship, yet it is believed that very soon "the place will be too strait for us." And we confidently hope, in the course of the ensuing year, to be enabled to erect a *Parish Church*, and appropriate the *Chapel* to *catechetical* and occasional *weekly services*.

The Sunday services are well attended by a respectable number of attentive worshippers, and the congregation is gradually increasing in numbers, and I trust in spiritual strength and devotion.

The ladies of the parish have associated themselves together in an interesting "Circle of Industry," and are benevolently employed in advancing the temporal prosperity of the Church. The Sunday school, I regret to say, is not in as flourishing a condition as formerly, owing to several causes, but we hope to report more favorably in future.

Owing to the unsettled and feeble state of the parish, none of the Canonical collections have been made.

From the parish register the following items are transcribed:—

Families 20; Communicants 20; Confirmations 5; Baptisms (infant) 3; Burials (not of the parish) 4; Marriages 3; Sunday scholars 30; Teachers 8; Volumes in library, 100.

As the former Rector of *St. Stephen's Church*, New-Hartford, Oneida, co., I beg leave to say, that I continued to officiate therein regularly from the time of the last Convention until Easter Sunday last, at which time I resigned that

charge. During that period there were 11 Confirmations and 3 Burials. Several months were very pleasantly occupied in the instruction of a class of interesting youths in the doctrines, worship, and Constitution of the Church, some of whom have since become worthy communicants.

Grace Church, Rochester, Monroe county; the Rev. ORANGE CLARK, D. D., Rector.

Our Baptisms have been (3 adults, 21 infants) total 24; Burials 21; Marriages 7; Communicants (added 12, died 4) present number 151.

Pecuniary condition of the Church improving, and congregation increasing. Sunday school very prosperous.

The canonical contributions were omitted, in consequence of the Rector's long absence previous to Convention.

St. Luke's Church, Rochester, Monroe county; the Rev. HENRY J. WHITEHOUSE, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms 78; Funerals 21; Marriages 15; Communicants added 35.

All Saints' Church, New-York; the Rev. BENJAMIN I. HAIGHT, Rector.

Families 150; Baptisms (infants 58, adults 8) 64; Confirmations 28; Marriages 13; Funerals 5; Communicants (added 64, 46 from other parishes, left 13, died 1) 151; Catechumens 74; Sunday school teachers 44; scholars 258.

The contributions required by the Canons have all been made. For the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese, \$129. Various other contributions, for benevolent objects connected with the Church, have also been made, amounting in all to \$1,430.

Viz : Missions in the several departments,	-	-	\$485 97
Education,	-	-	129 00
Poor,	-	-	337 70
Sunday schools,	-	-	166 63
Church Societies, &c.,	-	-	310 70

* During the season of Lent, and occasionally throughout the year, there is a third service on Sunday evenings. On one evening in the week (except during the summer months) there is service and a lecture. In the week before each Communion there are two services, and these are the stated seasons for Baptism. For six months in the year the children are catechised on Sunday afternoons; and a sermon is preached to them once a month. On the principal festivals and fasts, and twice in the week during Lent, the Church is opened for Divine service and a lecture. The Sunday school is under the immediate supervision of the Rector. The children are frequently examined by him, and a teachers' meeting is held once a month.

Church of the Annunciation, New-York; the Rev. SAMUEL SEABURY, D. D., Rector.

An edifice at the corner of Prince and Thompson streets, in the city of New-York, formerly belonging to the Scotch Presbyterians, was opened for Divine service, according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church, on the 25th March, 1838, being the festival of the Annunciation of the blessed Virgin Mary.

A meeting of the congregation was held, pursuant to legal notice, and the Church was organized on the 16th April last, being Easter Monday, under the name of the Church of the Annunciation.

The Church was received into union with this Diocese, on the 22d August, in the Special Convention at Utica.

The edifice is a substantial stone building, 54 feet wide, by 70 feet deep, having 112 pews on the ground floor, and 16 in the gallery.

The Church is furnished with an organ. The congregation has been generally large. Fifty-seven of the pews have been rented, 46 by families, and the remainder by young persons without families.

The number of Communicants is about 50; Baptisms (infant) 7; Marriages 2; the aggregate attendance on the Sunday school is about 50.

Collections:—

Towards the purchase of the Church,	-	-	\$1,000 00
Tract Society,	-	-	30 00

Church of the Ascension, New-York; the Rev. MANTON EASTBURN, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms (adults 3, infants 45) 48; Funerals 19; Marriages 16; Communicants (removed 6, died 4, added 23) 302.

In addition to various other contributions, the Canonical collections have been made as follows:—

Diocesan Fund,	-	-	\$50 00
General Disposable Fund of Education and Mis-	-	-	
sionary Society,	-	-	202 80

It may be interesting to state, that the Rector administered the rite of baptism, in April last, to a man who had for five years been an inmate of the State Prison at Sing Sing; and whose term of confinement had just expired. He had received his serious impressions mainly from the study of the Holy Scriptures in his cell; and was visited, from time to time, by the chaplain of the prison, and by a candidate for orders who took a deep interest in his case. He is now employed in his calling, that of a sailor, is a constant attendant on the means of grace when on shore, and gives the most satisfactory evidence of a thorough change of heart and life.

Grace Church, New-York; the Rev. THOMAS HOUSE TAYLOR, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms 35; Marriages 9; Funerals 12; Communicants about 200.

This parish continues in a united and prosperous condition. Communicants are added monthly. The children of the congregation are regularly instructed in the principles of Christianity by the Rector himself, immediately after the Morning Service of every Sunday throughout the Winter and Spring months. A regular monthly collection is made in aid of the various benevolent institutions connected with our Church, and the contributions have amounted to several thousand dollars.

Church of the Messiah, New-York; the Rev. RICHARD C. SHIMEALL, Rector.

In the absence of the Records of this parish, under its former Rector, the present incumbent, now for the first time about to enter upon the duties of his new relation, is unable to furnish the requisite statistics.

Church of the Nativity, New-York; the Rev. SOLON W. MANNEY, Deacon, Minister.

Since my last report the congregation has considerably increased; the aspect of things entirely changed. The numerous and almost insurmountable difficulties with which we have had to contend, arising from debts too heavy to be paid, and from the want of a permanent and commodious place of worship, need not here be noticed. By our own exertions, however, and the liberality of some friends in the city, we have been enabled to pay the largest and most perplexing part of our debt, and to commence the erection of a chapel,

which I hope will be finished this fall, through the further liberality of new, and the continued liberality of old friends.

During the past year I have preached twice on each Sunday, and attended to the Sunday school. Baptisms (infants) 8; Marriages 4; Burials 10; Communicants 36.

St. Andrew's Church, New-York; the Rev. ABRAM B. HART, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 10, adults 8) 18; persons confirmed 16; Funerals 5, four of which were of persons not members of this parish. It is probable that some of the communicants enumerated here may also be reckoned in the reports of other parishes in this city and southern Dioceses, at different seasons of the year; the average number is about 30; a few have been added, and one is removed by death.

The Sunday school of this Church has been favored, during the past year, with an increase of both catechists and catechumens. No alterations have been made, either in the subjects of instruction or the mode of its conduct.

From the quarterly contributions of the Church, appropriations have been made to those funds for which support is required by canon, as well as to the several objects of pious liberality specified in the last report.

St. Clement's Church, New-York; the Rev. LEWIS P. BAYARD, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms (adults 4, infants 58) 62; Communicants (deceased 3, removed 58, added 28) present number 192; Marriages 30, Burials (in the parish 7, out of it 30) 37.

Collections and contributions have been made for both branches of the General Missionary Society; the General Sunday School Union; Diocesan, Education and Missionary Society, and other charitable purposes. The number of Sunday scholars is about 200.

French Church du St. Esprit, New-York; the Rev. ANTOINE VERON, Rector.

Marriages 13, Baptisms 7, Funerals 2, Communicants about 35.

Collection in the Church for the Home Missionary Society, \$7 09.

There will be, during this month, a private collection for the benefit of the Missionary and Education Society, which will be handed to the Treasurer of the same.

St. George's Church, New-York; the Rev. JAMES MILNOR, D. D. Rector, and the Rev. JAMES W. COOKE, Assistant.

Since the last Convention, there have been added to the Communion 39, (died 9, removed 15) 24, present number 396. There have been performed Marriages 32, Baptisms (adults 12, infants 55) 67.

The services of the Church have been conducted in the manner stated in the report of last year.

The Sunday schools continue to flourish. They are conducted, under the supervision of the Rector and his Assistant, by upwards of sixty teachers, and contain between four and five hundred scholars. Besides frequent examinations in their Bible lessons in school, by the Rector and Assistant, the children of the Sunday schools, with others of the congregation, are catechized publicly in the Church by the Rector monthly, and a sermon is also preached to them in Church, four times a year, by the Assistant.

The following contributions have been made to the various objects specified, by the Association of St. George's Church for the Promotion of Christianity, which is now in the sixth year of its existence, and has been found, with the

aid of its Female Auxiliary, the funds of which are paid over to the general treasury, to answer in a good degree the objects of its institution.

To the Foreign Missionary Committee of the Protestant Episcopal Church,	\$500 00
To the Domestic Missionary Committee,	500 00
“ Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese of New-York,	200 00
“ support of beneficiaries preparing for the Ministry of the Protestant Episcopal Church,	483 47
“ support of the Sunday schools attached to St. George's Church,	247 07
To the New-York Bible and Prayer-book Society,	50 00
“ General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union,	50 00
“ New-York Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Society,	50 00
“ New-York Young Men's Education and Missionary Society,	50 00
“ “ Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	50 00
In addition to the above, the Vestry have paid to the Treasurer of the Diocesan fund,	30 00
And a collection has been made in Church and paid to the Treasurer of the General Protestant Episcopal Theological Seminary,	83 34

Making, (exclusive of donations from the Communion fund, and benefactions not necessary to be inserted in this report) an aggregate of \$2,293 88

St. Luke's Church, New-York; the Rev. JOHN MURRAY FORBES, Rector.

This parish is much in the same condition as at the last report. The only new feature requiring notice is the formation of a “Young Men's Missionary Association,” embracing much of the life and spirit of the congregation, and promising great usefulness to the Church. Through their instrumentality, the subject of Missions, on its broad and Scriptural grounds, will be annually presented to each member of this congregation, for their sympathy and support. In addition to this Society, there has been in very successful operation for several years, a “Female Education and Missionary Association,” auxiliary to the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese. During the past year, there have been Baptisms (adults 4, infants 62) 66, Marriages 15, Funerals 35, Communicants 260. Regular attendants at Sunday school 300, Sunday school Teachers 45.

Contributions for Missionary purposes,	\$775 00
“ “ the poor,	411 40
“ “ Church at Wallabout, Brooklyn,	25 00
“ “ Auxiliary Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	44 00
“ “ Sunday School of St. Luke's Church,	140 00
“ “ General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union,	87 00
“ “ General Theological Seminary,	67 00
“ “ Diocesan fund,	18 75

St. Mark's Church, New-York; the Rev. HENRY ANTHON, D. D., Rector.

Interments, parishioners 9, non-parishioners 67; Marriages 13; Baptisms, adults 2, children 114: of this number 57 were children of the Sunday and daily infant schools, and baptized on Easter day.

Catechumens 50. Sunday scholars registered 140. Average attendance 60. Teachers 15. Infant school 110. Teachers 2. Average attendance 90. Communicants (died 1, removed 18, added 52) present number 134. Families about 130.

Collections :—

Sunday School Union,	\$155 25
City poor,	208 09
Theological Seminary,	95 07
Education and Missionary New-York,	430 00
Foreign Missions,	249 17
Infant school,	434 10
Diocesan fund,	45 00

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Since my last report, a daily infant school has been established by the liberality of the congregation. Its privileges are eagerly sought after, and its effects have been most encouraging. Catechising eight months in the year, at the chancel, after the afternoon service. Bible classes 2—on Saturdays, from October until April. Wednesday evening lectures from November to April. Church opened for prayer, and the due ministrations of Baptism, Wednesdays and Fridays before each Communion.

St. Michael's, St. James', and St. Mary's Churches, New-York; the Rev. JAMES C. RICHMOND, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 23, adult 1) 24, Marriages 5, Burials 26, confirmed in St. Michael's 19; St. Mary's, Baptisms 5, Marriage 1, Burials 9, Communicants (removed or dead 7, added 17) total 70.

Collections for Education and Missionary Society :—

St. Michael's,	\$14 50
St. James',	13 00

The Rev. Mr. Morris has assisted the Rector; and there have been six Sunday services: five in the three Churches, and one at the Lunatic Asylum, Bloomingdale. With the increase of the population, arrangements are now making for an increase of the services, especially at Yorkville, in the neighborhood of St. James' Church, where there will be henceforward (at Yorkville) afternoon and evening service. St. Mary's Church, Manhattanville, is also to be opened on Sunday mornings, in addition to the afternoon and evening service now held in that Church.

St. Peter's Church, New-York; the Rev. HUGH SMITH, D. D., Rector.

Since the last annual report, there have been—Marriages 15, Baptisms (adult 1, infants 77) total 78; Funerals (of which 7 were of those connected with the congregation) 18; Communicants added, many from other congregations, 52; removed 13; died 1; present number about 160.

The new and beautiful edifice of St. Peter's, was consecrated on the 22d of February last; since which there has been a large and gratifying increase in the number of pew holders, attendants, and communicants. This increase has been steady and sure, and from such as promise to add much to the effective strength of the congregation. The entirely restored health of the Rector has enabled him to meet all the requirements of duty, and he would express his gratitude to "the Author and Giver of all good," for the measure of success which has crowned his labors, and for the present peace and prosperity of his congregation. There are two annual seasons of catechising for the children of the parish; which during the last year were attended by about 60 children. The Rector is also in the habit of examining the children of the Sunday school, from time to time, in the Catechism of the Church. There were preached, during the last winter, courses of lectures during the week, for the seasons respectively of Advent, of Epiphany, and of Lent: the course being in each case strictly adapted to the season of the Church.

The Sunday school continues in successful operation, under the able superintendence of a student of the General Theological Seminary. It numbered, according to the last report, 27 teachers, and 200 scholars.

The annual collections required by the canons, have been made during the year, which, amidst the heavy expenditure connected with the erection and furnishing of the Church, was all that could reasonably be expected.

St. Philip's Church, New-York; the Rev. PETER WILLIAMS, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 15, children 36) during the year 51; the ordinance of confirmation has been administered to 60 persons; the present number of Communicants is 227.

The male and female departments of the Sunday school, contain 195 pupils, and 15 teachers.

The Rector and congregation of this Church are colored persons.

St. Stephen's Church, New-York; the Rev. JOSEPH H. PRICE, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 4, infants 44) 48; Communicants (added 30, removed 5) present number 175; Marriages 24; Burials 20.

Contributions:—

To City Missions,	\$60 00
Domestic Missions,	173 07
the poor,	360 00
Foreign Missions,	212 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	40 00
Infant School,	155 76
Other objects connected with the Church,	250 00

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There has been a lecture on the Tuesday evening of every week during the year, except in the month of August. Prayers and an exhortation every Wednesday and Friday in Lent. The children instructed in catechism every Saturday in Lent. Other services have been held, to which it is unnecessary to refer.

St. Timothy's Church, New-York, a vacant Parish.

Our late Rector, the Rev. GEORGE MILLS, died on the 25th February, 1838.
CHAS. A. FOCKE, *Junior Warden.*

Trinity Church, including St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels, New-York; the Rev. WILLIAM BERRIAN, D. D., Rector; the Rev. JOHN F. SCHROEDER, D. D., the Rev. EDWARD G. HIGBEE, and the Rev. JONATHAN M. WAINWRIGHT, D. D., Assistant Ministers.

Communicants 800, Baptisms 124, Marriages 40, Burials 444. Report of Baptisms and Marriages is imperfect, the returns not having been received from one of the Assistant Ministers, who is now abroad.

Received from the Female Education and Missionary Association of St. Paul's Chapel, for the Missionary disposable fund,	\$60 00
" from the Female Association of St. John's Chapel, for the Missionary disposable fund,	69 25
" from the Education Society of the Parish of Trinity Church—	
Trinity,	65 00
St. Paul's,	191 48
" from the Corporation of Trinity Church, for the Education Branch of the Education and Missionary Society,	600 00
" from Mrs. Richard Ray, for the Missionary Branch of the Education and Missionary Society,	70 00

Collections :—

For the Education and Missionary Society—

Trinity,	93 75
St. Paul's,	77 05
St. John's,	120 37

For the Protestant Episcopal Tract Society—

Trinity,	84 40
St. Paul's,	73 48
St. John's,	92 25

For the New-York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society—

Trinity,	159 23
St. Paul's,	74 20
St. John's,	146 31

For the Domestic Branch of the Board of Missions—

Trinity,	272 38
St. Paul's,	180 72
St. John's,	232 88

For the Foreign Branch of the Board of Missions—

Trinity,	109 55
St. John's,	79 57

For the General Theological Seminary—

Trinity,	69 98
St. Paul's,	70 22
St. John's,	118 06

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Zion Church, New-York; the Rev. WILLIAM RICHMOND, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 64, adults 7) 71; Marriages 12; Funerals 20; Communicants (added 23, removed 22, died 4) 167; Sunday school teachers (male 9, female 23) 32; Sunday scholars 200; Bible class, on Sundays 30, on Wednesdays 75.

Collections :

Foreign Committee of Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the U. States,	40 00
General Sunday School Union,	22 00
Missionary Branch of the Education and Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of N. Y.	28 37
Education Branch of the same,	19 53
Diocesan Fund,	18 00

About 765 dollars have been subscribed by the congregation, during the past year, for a Sunday school room, which has been erected on the lot belonging to the church, at an expense, including an organ, of 1400 dollars.

The Society for the Promotion of Christianity, belonging to this church, has been so reorganized, as to make every member of the congregation a member of the association. The only officers are the Rector, as President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. This association meets once a month, and committees are appointed, by the Rector, for various objects of Christian benevolence. The visiting committee, thus appointed, reported sixteen hundred families as visited by them, and about four hundred dollars distributed in charity, in the Sixth Ward, and that vicinity. So far the association, as thus organized, has appeared to be admirably adapted to its purpose.

The Rector of this church officiated for four Sundays during the months of August and September, in the then vacant missionary station of Brockport and Clarkson, Monroe county, N. Y.

Christ Church, Lockport, Niagara county; the Rev. EBENEZER H. CRESSEY, Rector.

Number of Families about 40; Baptisms (infants) 9; Confirmed 10; Marriage 1; Burials 9; Communicants (removed 1, added 9) 27.

Sunday School—teachers 9; scholars about 45; library, 140 volumes.

Collections:—

Education and Missionary,	-	-	\$5 00
Domestic and Foreign,	-	-	5 50
Diocesan,	-	-	2 58
Episcopal,	-	-	2 42
Sunday school, Christ Church,	-	-	20 00

St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county; the Rev. HENRY S. STORRS, Rector.

The present Rector commenced his labors in this parish on the thirteenth of May last.

Number of communicants at that time 37, added during last six months 8, removed 1, present number 44.

Baptisms during same period (infants) 2; Marriage 1; Funerals 6.

Sunday school scholars 40, teachers 9.

Collections and contributions:

Domestic Missions,	-	-	\$5 00
Missionary Society,	-	-	4 17
Education Society,	-	-	4 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	6 00
Monthly Offerings,	-	-	42 86
Various purposes,	-	-	22 91

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St. Paul's Church, Paris Hill, Oneida County; the Rev. HENRY PECK, Rector.

During the past year, I have performed the regular services of the Church, morning and afternoon every Sunday throughout the year, also on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Good Friday; which includes the whole amount of services rendered in this parish, with the exception of funeral occasions.

In our Sunday school, 32 children have received instruction, most of whom have been regular in their attendance. Teachers 8.

Baptisms (children) 11; Mariages 6; Funerals 5; Communicants (died 1, added 2) present number 37.

Collections made for the year,

For Foreign Missions,	-	-	\$4 00
Domestic Missions,	-	-	8 00
Diocesan Mission,	-	-	5 00
Theological Seminary,	-	-	5 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	1 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	2 00

\$25 00

Trinity Church, Utica; the Rev. PIERRE ALEXIS PROAL, Rector.

We have to congratulate the friends of the Church on the organization of a new parish in this city. During the last two years, the congregation has so increased as to render additional accommodations indispensable, the demand for pews being much greater than could be supplied in the parish Church. After mature deliberation, it was resolved, that the formation of a new congregation was the mode of accomplishing that object, best calculated to advance

the interests of "evangelical truth, and apostolic order." Canonical measures were accordingly taken to carry the plan into effect. These have received the cheerful approbation of the Rector of Trinity Church; and he takes this opportunity of expressing his grateful sense of the kind and courteous terms, in which his official advice and consent were solicited.

The services and Sunday schools of this parish have been continued as reported at the last annual convention. The undertaking commenced, as then noticed, in the westerly extremity of the city, has been attended with a measure of success. Divine service has been held occasionally in the morning, and statedly in the evenings of Sunday, by means of a lay reader, licensed for that purpose by the Bishop, and who has the superintendence of the Sunday school, under the direction of the Rector. To his valuable aid I have been much indebted in the furtherance of this object. These services are well attended, and, we trust, are sowing good seed, which, in due season, will fructify into a substantial, abiding, and improving harvest for the Church. We have good hope, therefore, that, ere long, we shall number *three* flourishing congregations of our Church in this city.

In addition to the regular services on Sunday in the parish Church, morning prayers have been held in Trinity Chapel on all the days for which the Church has provided particular Collects, Epistles, and Gospels: on the Liturgy days during the season of Lent; and on the Wednesdays before the administration of the Holy Communion. On the Wednesday evenings before the first Sunday in the month, there has been a missionary lecture, after the regular evening prayer; and on the Friday evening of the same week a lecture preparatory to the Lord's supper. Christian offerings are collected monthly on the first Sunday and applied to the several charities of the Church.

During the past season of Lent, owing to an increased attention to religion, the services of the Church were extended to seven occasions of public worship during the week. On the mornings of Wednesday and Friday in each week, a lecture was read, explanatory of the liturgy of the Church. These services were all attended with the happiest effects; and demonstrated in the fullest manner, that the evangelical services of the Church, independently of any adventitious incrustations, are adequate to all the exigences of the most trying times. Throughout a season of unusual excitement, the congregation were kept together, and interested by the fervent, yet chastened devotions of our inimitable ritual; and we are fully persuaded, that the extravagances of fanaticism were checked and moderated by the sober and rational, but devout and zealous services of the Church.

In the past Conventional year there have been, Baptisms (adults 14, infants 25) 39; Confirmations, on two occasions, 58; Marriages 10; Funerals 13; Communicants (died 3, removed 27, transferred to the new parish of Grace Church 24, added 80) present number 153.

The contributions from the Christian offerings have been as follows: viz.

Education,	-	-	-	-	\$50 00
Parish Sunday school,	-	-	-	-	50 00
Education, and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	-	-	-	-	86 73
Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	57 24
Green Bay and Missouri,	-	-	-	-	7 72
Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	4 95
Greece,	-	-	-	-	3 00
China,	-	-	-	-	2 70
West Africa,	-	-	-	-	5 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	-	10 00
General Sunday School Union,	-	-	-	-	54 25
Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	50 00
Offerings of the children of the Sunday school to Do-	-	-	-	-	
mestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	3 50
Collected for the Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	15 00
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					\$397 09.

The division of the diocese, to take effect on the 1st of November, proximo, renders this the last occasion in which the parish of Trinity Church, Utica, will appear before the present Convention.

In making this final report to the body of which he has so long been a member, the Rector cannot omit to express the sincere regret with which he contemplates his future separation from brethren and friends dear to his heart. The singular unanimity with which the measure of division has been carried out is a source of gratitude to that Divine Head of the Church, who has thus signally directed our consultations; and inspires the hope that unity, and brotherly love, and tender sympathy, will still prevail among those who, having lived as brethren, are separated only for increased usefulness, and who are still labouring in that *one* great cause for which their Lord and Master gave his life.

Christ Church, Manlius, Onondaga County; the Rev. JESSE POUND, Rector.

It is with devout gratitude I record my belief, that the spiritual condition of this parish, is steadily on the advance; although its outward circumstances, are painfully affected by the removals that are constantly taking place. We have peace in our Israel; and though by the cause just alluded to, the number of our communicants are somewhat less than reported last year, yet the congregation remains about the same. A Thursday evening lecture is maintained through the winter half year; and the Sunday school continues in efficient operation. It has 10 teachers, about 50 scholars, and a library, containing 300 volumes.

The statistics of the parish are as follow:

Baptisms (infants) 3; Marriages 4; Burials 6; Communicants (added 3) about 80.

The Christian Benevolence Society has contributed—

To the Missionary Society of the Diocese,	-	-	\$20 00
Domestic Missionary Society,	-	-	5 00
Bible and Prayer-book Society of Central New-York,	-	-	5 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	4 00
Sunday School Union	-	-	3 00
Tract Society,	-	-	3 00
Sunday School Library of the Parish,	-	-	12 00
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			\$52 00

Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario County; the Rev. PIERRE P. IRVING, Rector.

The Rector of this parish has again the gratification of reporting favourably of his charge. While very many of the communicants have removed during the past year, the number has been much more than supplied by accessions from the congregation, and it is believed that generally speaking, the interest in the subject of religion, is as serious as at the time of the last report.

The accommodations for hearers, have been enlarged by the addition of twelve pews, but the time, it is hoped, is not distant when a new edifice shall be erected in this village. The parsonage house has been completed, and is now occupied by the Rector.

The plan of monthly offerings, is continued with increased success, and is now the permanent and the only mode of collecting funds in this congregation.

The accompanying details are given with some minuteness in pursuance of the request of the right reverend the Bishop of the diocese.

Baptisms (adults 12, Infants 21) total 33; Marriages 4; Funerals (only one belonging to the congregation) 5; Communicants, (number reported last year 118; added since, by removal from other parishes 3, and by accessions from

the congregation 35, in all 38. Loss, Died 1; Removed 23) present number 132.

Sunday School. Average attendance of pupils 75; teachers (of whom 15 are communicants) 19. *Sunday school Library.* Numbers 350 volumes.

Parish Library, for the congregation, has 250 volumes. *Bible Class.* A class of the young ladies of the parish instructed in the doctrines and principles of the Church, once in each week. *Services.* A service every Thursday evening from October to May. A service on Ash Wednesday, and on every day in Passion Week. Morning prayer on Wednesdays and Fridays in Lent. *Catechising.* The children of the congregation are examined by the Rector in the catechism, at the chancel, every Sunday afternoon after Divine service, the boys and girls on alternate Sundays. This Chancel lecture, is in place of a second session of the Sunday school.

Contributions :

Diocesan Missions,	- - - - -	\$125 00
Domestic,	- - - - -	100 00
Foreign,	- - - - -	112 63
Education Society of the Church in M. S.	- - - - -	10 00
Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union Society,	- - - - -	30 00
Protestant Episcopal Bible and Prayer-book Society,	- - - - -	10 00
Tract Society,	- - - - -	10 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	- - - - -	30 00
General Theo. Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church,	- - - - -	10 00
Purchase of tracts for the Parish,	- - - - -	20 00
Sunday School of the Parish,	- - - - -	10 00
Offerings at the Communion,	- - - - -	107 83
Appropriated to parish purposes,	- - - - -	97 92
Unappropriated,	- - - - -	62 87
Offerings of the children for Missions, unappropriated	- - - - -	13 00
Subscribed for Episcopal Church in Columbia, Ohio,	- - - - -	70 00

\$789 25

St. James' Church, Goshen, Orange county; The Rev. THOMAS MALLABY, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 4, infants 14) 18; Confirmed 8; Married 1; Funerals 11; Communicants (added 16, removed 6, died 2) 42; Adult members of the congregation 136; Sunday school scholars 60; Teachers 14; Parish Library 107 volumes; Sunday school Library 160 volumes.

Collections and contributions :—

General Domestic Missions,	- - - - -	\$30 00
Foreign do.	- - - - -	20 00
Education and Missionary Society of Diocese,	- - - - -	17 00
Sunday school of the Parish,	- - - - -	15 00

\$82 00

Within the conventional year several important improvements and repairs are to be noted in the Parish. A new vestry room of commodious size and excellent finish has been built and furnished. The pulpit and reading desk have been modernized and provided with new hangings; a new chancel made, and the interior of the church generally painted. The expenses thus incurred, to the amount of \$200, have been defrayed by "The Ladies' Sewing Society," which still promises much and efficient aid to the Parish. With a like commendable zeal, the vestry have added greatly to the comfort and convenience of the Rectory. And as completing for us, with one exception, all that is requisite in the usages of our "venerable church," a full service of plate both for the communion and baptismal offices has been presented by a lady of the Parish.

Besides the services of Sunday, the principal festivals and fasts have been duly

observed. The church was opened for prayers every Wednesday during Lent; and daily, with two exceptions, in Passion week. Sermons have always been delivered at funerals. The Sunday school is conducted in person by the Rector; by whom frequent catechetical instruction is given. A monthly meeting of the teachers of the school is established with promise of much good.

In conclusion, the Rector would record his grateful acknowledgments to the Rev. Robert Shaw of Marlborough, for his kind services at Communion seasons, while he, the Rector, was in Deacons' Orders.

St. George's Church, Newburgh, Orange county; the Rev. JOHN BROWN, Rector.

Baptisms (adult 1, children 19) 20; Burials 27; Communicants (added 19, died 4, removed 14) present number 106.

Collections :—

Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	\$9 00
Missionary Diocesan,	-	-	-	42 50
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Christ Church, Oswego, Oswego county; the Rev. JOHN McCARTY, Rector.

Baptisms (infants and children) 50; Marriages 8; Communicants (removed 12, died 4, added 4) present number about 100; Funerals 22. Sunday school scholars about 60, Teachers 8.

The congregation has suffered a decrease by removals from the place. An adult bible class has been conducted by way of a familiar lecture, every Sunday evening during a greater part of the year. The church has been opened for prayers and sermons on the principal fasts and festivals, and a Wednesday evening lecture delivered during the season of Lent.

The amount of Monthly Offerings for religious purposes, is \$175 33, to which the Ladies' Sewing Society have added \$30 00—making \$205 33. Out of which has been given to—

Zion Church, Fulton,	-	-	-	\$20 00
To the General Missionary Society, for the Domestic Department,	-	-	-	20 00
To the Central Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	25 90
To the Foreign do do do do.	-	-	-	15 00
To the Diocesan Missionary Department,	-	-	-	24 50
Education,	-	-	-	8 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	12 00
For Sunday School Books and Tracts,	-	-	-	25 03
For the increase of the Parish Library,	-	-	-	38 33

\$205 33

Christ Church, Cooperstown, Otsego county; Rev. FREDERICK Y. TIFFANY, Minister.

In consequence of ill health, the Minister has not been able to officiate but once since the first of October, 1837. His pulpit has been supplied three months by the Rev. Mr. Scovill, three months by the Rev. Mr. Swart, (who has been retained by the vestry, until God, in his providence, shall enable me to resume my labors.) Four Sundays by the Rev. Orsamus H. Smith, of Butternuts. Three Sundays by the Rev. Mr. Ransom, of Johnstown. Two Sundays by Rev. Mr. Campbell, of Richfield. One Sunday by the Rev. Mr. Hollis, and one Sunday by the Rev. Mr. Hughes, of Gilbertsville.

Number of persons Confirmed 25; Communicants (added 16, died 2, removed 1) present number 88; Baptisms (adults 9, infants 6) total 15; Marriages 1.

St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, Otsego county ; the REV. NORMAN H. ADAMS, Rector.

Baptisms (infants) 6 ; Funerals 6 ; Marriages 3 ; Communicants (added 3) about 100.

Collections :—

Foreign Missionary Society, after Sermon,	-	-	\$10 00
Domestic Missionary Society, after Sermon delivered before	-	-	
the Female Missionary Society,	-	-	10 75
Female Missionary Society,	-	-	14 25
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	3 00
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			\$38 00

Sunday School Scholars about 50.

St. Phillip's Church, Phillipstown, Putnam county ; the REV. EDWARD C. BULL, Rector.

It is about three months, that I have been engaged in this place, in the performance of Ministerial duty. During the winter previous to my arrival, the church, as I have been informed, was closed. The Sunday school, however, was kept in operation. The state of the church so far as I have yet been enabled to learn, is but little different from what it was at the period of the last report concerning it. It has been my usual practice while here, to preach at Philipstown upon the morning of every Sunday, and in the afternoon at Cold Spring, a village a few miles distant, where there are some zealous Episcopalians, but as yet no regularly organized parish.

There has been a weekly collection made in the church at Philipstown, which now amounts to about \$20.

St. George's Church, Flushing, Queens county ; the REV. FREDERIC J. GOODWIN, Rector.

The Rector of this parish reports that he entered upon his duties the second Sunday in Advent, December 10th, 1837. In a numerical point of view he has found much to encourage him. The increase of the congregation has rendered it necessary to enlarge the church. By the addition made we have been furnished with twenty-six new pews. By the sale of seventeen of these, the whole expense incurred of \$1700 has been defrayed. Almost every pew in the church is now taken.

There have been Baptisms (adults 3, infants 21) 24 ; Confirmed 11 ; Marriages 9 ; Funerals 14 ; Communicants (removed 1, died 2, added 14) 119.

Contributions :—

For Domestic Missions,	-	-	\$63 00
Foreign Missions,	-	-	54 00
Diocesan Missions,	-	-	30 00
Education Society,	-	-	24 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	-	10 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	10 00
Sunday School of the Parish,	-	-	37 50
General Theological Seminary,	-	-	16 50
Children's Missionary Collection,	-	-	16 00
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			\$261 00
To which may be added towards a debt of the			
Parish, the sum of	-	-	177 00
Private subscriptions for other objects,	-	-	46 25
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			\$484 25

There are two Sunday schools connected with the church, containing 185 children under 28 teachers, to assist the Rector as Superintendent. The

average attendance of one of the schools during the summer has been *ninety-six*, of the other *thirty*. It is the invariable practice of the Rector to be present at the opening of the school, and to examine the children on appointed portions of Scripture and the catechism. They are also examined in the catechism publicly in the church, the first Sunday afternoon of every month. Connected with the school there is a library of about 500 volumes. Divine Service was held during the season of Lent, several times each week, with a most gratifying attendance and happy results. The church has also been opened on all the important festivals of the Church, and usually on the Friday evenings preceding the communion. In the increase and harmony of the congregation and the growing seriousness of the people, the Rector finds abundant cause for encouragement and gratitude.

St. George's Church, Hallett's Cove, Queens county ; the REV. JOHN W. BROWN, Rector.

I accepted a call to the Rectorship of this parish on the first of October last, having officiated in the church for more than a year previous to that date. During my connection with the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions, I am happy to state that, under the blessing of God, the present state and future prospects of the parish are highly encouraging.

Divine Service has been performed regularly in the church, twice every Lord's day. A weekly lecture has been sustained with gratifying success, during the greater part of the year, and the church has been opened for service on the principal Holy-Days. The system of Monthly Offerings, regularly introduced during the month of October, 1837, has proved highly successful. The distribution of the money collected is made statedly after the last Sunday in November of each year. For the current year, ending in November, the collections have amounted to \$125 86. Of this sum, appropriations have been made or designated, as follows :—

To the Education and Missionary Society of this Diocese,	\$20 00
General Theological Seminary, - - -	10 00
Sunday School and other parochial objects, - -	70 00
Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, - -	13 25

\$113 25

The balance with collections still to be made, will be divided among the Domestic and Foreign Committees, Board of Missions, the Sunday School Union, and the General Theological Seminary.

During the period embraced in this report, a lecture room, beautiful and convenient throughout, has been fitted up, and cost about \$1200, discharged by the subscriptions of the congregation, aided by a donation of \$400 from Trinity Church. Extraordinary exertions have also been made in thoroughly painting and repairing the Church edifice, and the erection of a spire with a bell, the cost of which was about \$700. From the avails of the industry of the Ladies' Society of the parish, a set of communion plate of silver, has been purchased, and the chancel desk and pulpit beautifully furnished.

Sunday school scholars 140, Teachers 22 ; Communicants (added 7, received 6, died 2, left 2) 38 ; Marriage 1 ; Baptisms (adults 2, infants 5) 7 ; Confirmations 3 ; Burials 6.

During a considerable part of the year, the children of the congregation have been regularly catechised on the first Sunday afternoon of each month.

St. George's Church, Hempstead, Queens county ; the REV. WILLIAM M. CARMICHAEL, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 4, children 23) 27 ; Burials (adults 6, children 7, communicants 4) 17 ; Marriages 17 ; Communicants (added 6) whole number about 140 ; Sunday school scholars 60, teachers 12.

Collections :—

Monthly Offerings for Domestic and Foreign Missions,	\$66 42
Sunday School Union,	22 05
Monthly Tract Distribution,	20 00
Diocesan Fund,	8 78
Theological Seminary,	11 25
Missions in the Far West,	4 00
The Female Sewing Society of St. George's Church, by a fair, towards the erection of a Sunday school Room,	200 00
	<hr/> \$332 50

Grace Church, Jamaica, Queens county ; the REV. WILLIAM L. JOHNSON, Rector.

Families 54; Baptisms 7; Marriages 5; Burials 8; Communicants 88.

The usual collections have been made ; and in addition—

For Sunday School, after Sermon by Agent,	\$21 25
Tract Society, after Sermon by Rector,	28 40
Illinois and Indiana, from the Female Miss. Society,	100 00
Domestic Branch of Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, from the same,	100 00
	<hr/> \$249 65

Christ Church, Manhasset, and St. Paul's, Glen Cove, Queens county ; the REV. JAMES P. F. CLARKE, Rector.

Manhasset. Baptisms (infants 13, adults 3) 16; Confirmations 1; Marriages 4; Funerals 10; Communicants (added 8, removed 4) 59.

Contributions :—

To Missionary Fund of Diocese,	\$9 00
Education do do	5 06
Episcopal do do	7 41
Diocesan do do	5 64
	<hr/> \$27 11

Glen Cove. Married 1; Communicants (added 3, removed 1) 4; Sunday scholars 40, and Teachers 5.

Contributions :—

To Missionary Fund,	\$4 00
Education do	3 81

St. James' Church, Newtown, Queens county ; the REV. GEORGE A. SHELTON, Rector.

There is nothing of any particular interest to be reported. The church has been opened on most of the Holy Days, and during the winter and spring, weekly lectures were held at private houses, in different parts of the parish. The bible class and Sunday school are as usual. The children have been catechised several times.

Communicants (died 1) 44; Marriages 2; Baptisms 5; Burials 6.

Collections :—

Diocesan Fund,	\$7 50
Theological Seminary,	10 00
Diocesan Missionary Society,	15 56

Other Monthly Offerings—

Domestic and Foreign Missions,	-	-	\$46 53
Ladies Sewing Society,	-	-	33 00
For other purposes,	-	-	75 00
Children in Sunday School,	-	-	4 75
Children of a family,	-	-	2 40
Bible and Common Prayer-book Society,	-	-	4 00

Total, \$198 79

Total amount of Monthly Offerings, \$72 09

Trinity Church Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county ; the Rev. PHINEAS L. WHIPPLE, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 5, infants 12) 17 ; Confirmed 23 ; Marriages 3 ; Deaths 8 ; Communicants (died 2, removed 3, added 13) present number 62 ; Sunday school scholars 40.

Collections :—

For Missionary and Education Fund,	-	\$20 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	9 00
Sunday School Union,	-	5 00
Bible and Prayer-Book Society,	-	3 00
Tract Society,	-	3 00
General Missions, Foreign and Domestic,	-	25 00

Total, \$65 00

St. John's Church, Troy ; the Rev. RICHARD COX, Rector.

The Rector assumed the charge of this parish on the 1st of October, 1837. Owing to a variety of circumstances, the church was in an exceedingly depressed state. During the past year the smiles of Providence have been graciously bestowed upon it: its condition is materially altered. Its *spiritual* improvement has at least been in proportion to the added numerical strength.

The following are the required statistics :—Communicants reported at the last Convention 66, (died 3, removed 21, added 50,) present number 92 ; Baptisms (adults 9, infants 10) 19 ; Funerals 17 ; Marriages 4 ; Confirmed 22.

Collections and contributions :—

To the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society,	-	\$113 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	35 00
Education and Missionary Society, (Education \$5, Missionary \$22 60.)	-	27 60
Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union,	-	9 09

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During a considerable portion of the year, the children of the congregation have been instructed in the catechism after divine service on the afternoons of Communion Sundays. There have been divine services and sermons on all the principal Holy Days. During Lent, the church has been opened for prayers on Wednesdays and Fridays. And with the exception of the summer months, there have been divine service and an expository lecture on Wednesday evenings. The Sunday school continues to be in effective operation: during the year, several of the larger scholars have been confirmed and have joined the Communion.

St. Paul's Church, Troy ; the Rev. ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, Rector.

Marriages 14 ; Baptisms (infants 30, adults 9) 39 ; Communicants (added 48, died 5, removed 11) 119 ; Burials 40 ; Confirmed 30. In the Sunday

school, Teachers 40, Children (male 65, female 75 ; infant school 124.)
Total 264.

Collections :—

For Board of Missions, Domestic,	\$329 03
Foreign,	123 86
	<hr/> \$452 89
Other Contributions to the same,	545 00
General P. E. Sunday School Union,	93 74
Education and Missionary Society of this Diocese,	301 00
Diocesan Fund,	15 00
Other Contributions for benevolent objects,	578 32
	<hr/> \$1985 95

The present Rector was instituted over this Parish on Sunday, November 19, 1837, by the Right Rev. Bishop of the Diocese. He has in the name of the Parish very gratefully to acknowledge, the valuable services of the Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D. who supplied the church while destitute of a Rector, as also the kind and cordial co-operation and assistance of the venerable David Butler, D. D., who still "dwells among his own people," cherished and beloved in a good old age.

During the last winter, services on Sunday evenings were maintained alternately, in St. Paul's, St. John's and Christ Churches. A weekly lecture on Wednesday evenings has been maintained with a very gratifying attendance. During Lent the church was opened for prayers, and a lecture on every Wednesday morning, and for prayers on every Friday morning.

The plan of publicly catechising the children in the church, on the afternoon of one Sunday in each month, after the Evening Prayers, has been tried with very gratifying effects.

In preparing the Candidates for Confirmation, besides public sermons and lectures, the Rector has assembled them at his own house for familiar instruction, on one evening in each week, for several weeks preceding the Confirmation.

On every Wednesday morning preceding the Communion, there are prayers in the church, and Baptism is administered, if it is desired. On Friday evening there is divine service and a sermon preparatory to the Holy Communion.

The Rector spends half an hour every Sunday, in the Sunday Schools, addressing the scholars, and illustrating the portions of Scripture assigned, using the Questions recently published by our Union. Teachers' meetings are held monthly, conducted by the Rector, at which time the reports of the Teachers, are presented and read by him, showing the state of their several classes, the attendances, conduct of the scholars, recitations and the visitations of the Teachers. The Rector also meets the Teachers every Saturday evening, to explain the lesson for the next day.

The Rector would very gratefully acknowledge the kind and liberal collections of the congregation, as well as their cordial co-operation in all his efforts. With gratitude to God, who has hitherto preserved his health, strengthened his hands, and "set before him an open door," he is encouraged and constrained to devote himself with renewed energy to "the perfecting of the Saints, the work of the ministry, the edifying of the body of Christ."

St. Andrew's Church, Richmond, Richmond county ; the Rev. DAVID MOORE, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 3, infants 51) 54 ; Marriages 3 ; Deaths 30 ; Communicants (added the last year 85) total 300 ; number Confirmed 49 ; Families 250.

Collections for the Missionary and Episcopal funds have been made and paid in.

The Rector and congregation of this Parish have great reason to rejoice and give thanks to the Great Head of the Church, for the signal discoveries of his love evinced during the last year. Very many under the faithful preaching of the Gospel have been awakened to see and feel their need of an interest in the Saviour of Sinners, and little short of one hundred souls have been added to the Church, of such as, we trust shall be saved.

St. Paul's Church, Tomkinsville, Richmond county; the Rev. WILLIAM H. WALTERS, Rector.

Baptisms (children 15, adult 1) total 16; Communicants (removed 10, added 6) total 46; Marriages 3, one of them in New-York city; Burials 5; Sunday school teachers 15, scholars 120.

Collections :—

Diocesan Fund, - - -	\$6 20
Episcopal do. - - -	5 00
Education and Missionary Society,	11 00
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	\$22 20

The ladies of the congregation have raised in addition, nearly \$400 by the sale of the products of their taste and industry.

Necessitated by ill health, I have been absent from my parish for almost the whole year, intervening since the last annual Convention. The vacancy however, was supplied with high satisfaction to the congregation by the Rev. Gordon Winslow. On the expiration of his engagement in May, the Rev. Mr. Shimeall succeeded and officiated with great acceptance till my return in August. There has been no very perceptible improvement in the state, secular or religious, of this church. It has continued to labor under the embarrassments noticed in the last report; and has also recently suffered no ordinary loss in the removal of some of its earliest and most efficient members and friends. Still, we look forward with well-grounded hope, under the blessing of God to its renewed prosperity and increase.

St. Paul's Church, Charlton, Saratoga county; the Rev. EDWARD DAVIS, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 5, adults 2) 7; Marriages 4; Funerals 2; number of Communicants 46; Confirmed in July last 7.

Collection :—

For Education and Missionary Society, this Diocese, \$5 00

The Sunday school in this Parish has been well attended, and catechetical instruction delivered to the children by the Rector.

The Ladies' Society in this Parish deserve honorable mention as having contributed out of their earnings to furnish the church with blinds, and in other ways to the improvement of the same.

St. James' Church, Milton, Saratoga county; the Rev. CHARLES M'CABE, Rector.

The state of my health has been such, that I have been able to do but little Ministerial duty for some time past. I have a number of complaints about me. Age is subject to these. I hope God may sanctify them to my present and future well being. I wish to do all I can for the glory of God, and the good of his Church.

Christ Church, Duaneburgh, Schenectady county; the Rev. WILLIAM B. THOMAS, Rector.

Baptisms (infants) 6; Marriages 2; Funeral 1; Communicants 30; Confirmed 8.

Collection :—For Diocesan Fund, - - \$7 50

The other collections will be made as soon as possible after the adjournment of the Convention.

St. George's Church, Schenectady; Rev. ALBERT SMEDES, Rector.

The Rector was absent from his parish during the whole of the past year. And for 10 months of that time, from his country, in the pursuit of health. During the first 9 months of his absence, his lack of service to the congregation was generously supplied by Professors Potter, and Reed, of Union College; and during the last 3 months, the Rev. John A. Spooner, Deacon, was employed by the Vestry to officiate.

The Rector is most happy to say, on his return after so long an absence, that he finds his parish in a very prosperous condition. The enlargement of the church which had been begun before he left, has been completed, and the 36 pews thus added, are with very few exceptions let. This alteration was made at an expense of about \$2,000 taken from a small fund in the possession of the church; in addition to which, the ladies have expended about \$400 in the purchase of lamps, carpeting, &c.

These outward improvements are not unaccompanied by cheering indications of spiritual prosperity; so that in resuming his labors in his parish, the Rector finds the most abundant reasons for devout thankfulness to God, and for the most entire consecration of himself to His service, in the delightful field of labor that has been assigned to him.

The plan of benevolent operations is the same as that mentioned in the last report; though in consequence of the omission of several of the monthly collections, the returns of this year are far less than those of the last.

The amount contributed to Religious purposes is - \$136 60

Of this sum there have been given to the Diocesan Education and Missionary Society, - - 50 00

\$186 60

The rest has been expended in supplying the wants of the Sunday School and the poor of our own parish.

Since the last report 8 have been added to the number of our Sunday School teachers, making the present number 29. No change has taken place in regard to the occasions of opening the church, or to the catechetical instruction of the children.

St. Paul's Church, Waterloo, Seneca county; the Rev. FOSTER THAYER, Rector.

Baptisms (infants) 2; Marriage 1; Funerals 3; Communicants (added 3) the whole number 63.

The church is now under a process of enlargement, and there has been occasionally a cessation of the regular services on Sunday. We have met as often as possible in the school house. The church will be re-opened the first of December. We trust with increasing means of religious improvement, there will be growth in Christian virtues, and a more active regard to the order and beauty of the house of the Lord. The reason why the Canonical collections have been omitted, is that the church is undergoing repairs, and there has been no place sufficiently large for all the congregation to assemble. They will be remitted in a few weeks.

St. Thomas' Church, Bath, and St. James' Church, Hammondsport, Steuben county; the Rev. WILLIAM W. BOSTWICK, Rector.

St. Thomas' Church, Bath.

Baptisms (adult 1, children 14) 15; Communicants (added 22, died 1) whole number 51 The number added, includes several families residing at Forset's Settlement, and in Howard, a distance of several miles from the church, to whom the Communion has been administered at their residences. Also 10 of the infant Baptisms were performed in these places. Marriage 1; Burials 5.

St. James' Church, Hammondsport.

Baptisms (children) 2; Communicants (added 1) 28; Burials 2.

Collections at Bath and Hammondsport:—

Diocesan Fund, - - -	\$3 00
Missionary and Education, - - -	7 00
Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, - - -	15 00
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	\$25 00

St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county; the Rev. WILLIAM BARLOW, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 3, infants 34) 37; Marriages 8; Deaths 11; Communicants (added 9, ceased to commune 6, deceased 5, removed 3, set off to a new parish 2) present number 63. Families about 65. Sunday School scholars about 50, teachers 10.

The church continues to be prosperous. The enlargement of the church edifice is in contemplation.

St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, Westchester county; the Rev. SAMUEL NICHOLS, Rector; the Rev. AEFRED H. PARTRIDGE, Deacon, Assistant Minister.

Communicants (added 4) 60; Baptisms 4; Marriages 5; Funerals 3.

Collections:—

Education and Missionary, - - -	\$5 30
Diocesan, - - -	2 50
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	\$7 80

The Ladies' Missionary Society, belonging to this congregation have raised during the past year, the sum of \$173 32.

The congregation is in a prosperous state, and there is reason to hope that God is blessing the labors of his servants. Our Sunday School is also in a flourishing condition.

St. Paul's Church, East Chester, Westchester county; the Rev. ROBERT BOLTON, Rector.

Baptisms (adult 1) 9; Marriages 5; Burials 47; (13 of the parish, 22 from the city, and 12 from other places in the vicinity.) Communicants about 40. The Sunday School has been kept up through the winter and summer, and the Services, once in the winter, and twice on the Sunday through the spring and summer, well attended.

Zion Church, Greenburgh, and Christ Church, Tarry Town, Westchester county; the Rev. WILLIAM CREIGHTON, D. D. Rector.

Greenburgh.

Baptisms (infants) 3; Marriage 1; Interments, in the cemetery belonging

to the church 1, elsewhere 2; Communicants (removed 10, died 2) present number about 20; Sunday School Scholars about 50.

Tarry Town.

Baptisms (infants) 5; Marriages 0; Interments, there is no cemetery attached to this church. Communicants (died 1) present number 15; Sunday scholars 70.

A neat Communion service and a well-toned bell, for the use of this church, have been procured through the zealous exertions of a few members of the congregation.

St. Thomas' Church, Mamaroneck, Westchester county; the Rev. WILLIAM A. CURTIS, Rector.

The Rector of this church finds much cause for thankfulness in the gradual increase of its numbers and the growing attachment manifested toward its services and ordinances. At the same time we have to lament that large numbers of people in the vicinity do not suitably appreciate the duty of public worship, and the benefits resulting from a preached Gospel or other appointed means of Grace. The causes which have operated to produce this indifference, so far as they have arisen from the absence of regular ministrations are now removed, and under the continued blessing of the Great Head of the Church, we cannot but hope for enlarged spiritual prosperity, without which all temporal advantages "are nothing worth."

The Vestry have it in contemplation to erect an edifice for the use of the Sunday School, and about \$800 have been subscribed toward that object. The School numbers about 80 scholars, with an average attendance of 60; and under the faithful superintendence and conduct of Mr. Vermilye and 12 teachers, is a most important auxiliary to the church.

Added to the church by Baptism the past year, (infants) 5; to the Communion 6; Burials 7; Marriages 4.

I have noticed here the Canonical Collections only:—

Episcopal Fund,	-	-	\$2 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	2 00
Education, and Missionary	-	-	13 17

\$17 17

The church has been opened for public worship on Wednesday evenings during the season of Lent, as also on the festivals and fasts: the Rector has besides, held evening lectures during the winter season in different parts of his parish, and teaches from house to house.

Trinity Church, New Rochelle, Westchester county; the Rev. LAWSON CARTER, Rector.

Baptisms (infants) 5; Marriage 1; Funerals 8; Communicants (added 4, removed 4, died 1) 32.

Appropriations from Monthly Offerings:—

To the Missionary Fund of the Diocese,	-	-	\$23 25
Education	-	-	12 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	6 00
General Theological Seminary,	-	-	14 00
Tract Society,	-	-	15 00
Sunday School Union	-	-	25 00

\$95 25

And also to the Bible and Prayer-book Society, and to the General Missionary Society.

The Rector has been compelled by ill health, to suspend his public ministrations for some months, and his church is supplied by the services of the Rev. H. R. Peters.

St. Peter's Chapel, Peekskill, Westchester county ; the Rev. WILLIAM C. COOLEY, Rector.

I commenced my labors in this parish in April last. Since that time the chapel, which was then building, has been completed and consecrated. The congregation has been gradually increasing and the services and doctrines of our Church in proportion as they are understood, seem to be appreciated and welcomed, and give fair promise of better things to come. I have 3 Sunday Schools in the parish : one in the village, of 70 scholars ; one at Cortlandtown of 35 ; one at Verplank's Point of 25.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle, with praise-worthy zeal and activity, have raised \$275 and appropriated it to the furnishing the chapel. It is hoped that the circumstance of the parish being altogether new so as to require all its resources within itself, will be sufficient apology for not contributing during this year, to Missionary and other purposes abroad. But we trust that in future, no such apology will be necessary, and that this parish will cast in its mite into the Treasury of the Lord.

Statistics :—Baptisms (adult) 1 ; Confirmations 6 ; Communicants 30 ; Funerals 6 ; Marriage 1.

Christ Church, Rye, Westchester county ; the Rev. Peter S. CHAUNCEY, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 6, infants 4) 10 ; Marriages 5 ; Communicants (removed 13, died 4, added 9) 75.

Collections :

Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	\$3 50
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	-	-	5 29
Tract Society,	-	-	-	-	-	5 23
Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	15 00
Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	46 50

\$80 52.

Through the exertions and liberality of "The Ladies' Society," belonging to this congregation, the Rector has been enabled to purchase a neat and well-toned organ, cost \$500.

The service at the village of Port Chester, has been held every Sunday afternoon, and with very encouraging and gratifying results. The week services, spoken of in the last Report, have been continued during the past year.

St. Paul's Church, Sing Sing, Westchester county ; the Rev. EDWARD N. MEAD, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 6, adult 1) total 7 ; Marriages 3 ; Funerals 9 ; Communicants (added 11, removed 9, died 1) present number 53. Teachers in Sunday School 10, scholars about 120.

Collections :—

N. Y. Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	\$12 89
Gen. Prot. Epis. Sunday School Union,	-	25 00
Education Department of the N. Y. Edu. and Miss. So.	18 75	
Missionary do. of do. do.	27 19	
Diocesan Fund,	-	5 06
General Theological Seminary,	-	22 56

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The Ladies of the congregation, during the past summer, have formed a Sewing Society : intending to appropriate the funds they may thus raise, to Missionary, Parochial and benevolent purposes. A small sum is already in

the hands of the Treasurer, but no distribution has yet been made. The children continue to be instructed in the catechism by the Rector, each Sunday afternoon, at the chancel.

There is no material change in the condition of this Parish since the last annual report. While there is much cause for thankfulness for the little good which has been done, there is still greater for humility, and for increased effort that the blessings of the church may more abundantly be spread among the people of the parish.

St. Peter's Church, Westchester, Westchester county; the Rev. WILLIAM POWELL, Rector.

Baptisms 9; Burials 11; Marriages 7; Communicants (added 2) whole number about 50. Sunday School scholars, list 60.

Collections :—

Education Society,	-	-	-	\$25 33
Missionary Society,	-	-	-	59 04
Sunday school Union,	-	-	-	45 82
General Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	18 94
Diocesan fund,	-	-	-	9 75

\$158 88

The Rector would also mention that during the last winter, galleries have been erected in his church, at an expense of about \$90.

The church has been well attended and her services truly acceptable to many who do not as yet belong to her Communion.

Grace Church, Whiteplains, Westchester county; the Rev. ROBERT WILLIAM HARRIS, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 2, infants 6) 8; Communicants (died 1) 47; Marriages 2; Deaths 5. Sunday School, teachers (male 2, female 4) 6; scholars (male 22, female 32) 54; Sunday School Library 168 volumes; Parish Library 125 volumes.

Collections :—

Tract Society,	-	-	-	\$8 50
Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	15 00
Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	-	20 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	4 56
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	2 00

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The children of the parish receive catechetical and pastoral instruction every Sunday afternoon. An hour and a half before divine service, is given to this important duty.

The congregation is very attentive and I believe its spiritual condition to be better than at any former period. The church prospers.

St. John's Church, Yonkers, Westchester county; the Rev. ALEXANDER H. CROSBY, Rector.

During ten months of the past year, the Rector has been afflicted by an illness, which has deprived this parish of much of the pastoral labor which it had formerly received. In the month of March, the Rector was compelled by his weakness of lungs to desist from preaching, since which time the pulpit has been supplied by other clergymen. The Vestry have recently invited the Rev. William Walton, to assist their pastor, for the next six months, (which invitation he has accepted.)

It will be observed that the collections do not in amount come near the liberal contributions of former years, owing, however, in some degree it is sup-

posed, to the inability of the Rector to resort to his usual mode of obtaining donations for these benevolent objects, and to the calls made upon the congregation for supplying the pulpit.

The amount of the collections is not specified, as the Rector was absent from the parish on account of his health when they were made. But their amount having been paid in, will be published in their proper places.

Collections have been made for the Parish Sunday School, for the Bible and Prayer book Society, (paid by mistake to the Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,) for the Missionary Society of the Diocese, and for the Domestic Department of the General Missionary Society. Very soon collections will be made for the General Seminary, and for Foreign Missions.

Baptisms 3; Marriages 2; Funerals 5; Communicants (added 4, died 1) 80; Scholars in Sunday School, from 60 to 80, teachers 14.

MISSIONARY REPORTS.

The following portions of the reports of Missionaries are printed by direction of the Bishop:—

From the report of the Rev. WILLIAM ALLANSON, Missionary at Medina, Orleans county.

Since the date of my last report I have continued to officiate at Medina, and parts adjacent. The state of the church continues about as usual.

The following collections have been made:—

For the Diocesan Missionary Society, -	\$5 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, -	2 00

Baptisms 9; Marriages 4; Burials 7; Communicants (added 4, removed 3) 34; Sunday School teachers 5, scholars about 34.

From the report of the Rev. HENRY S. ATTWATER, Missionary at Mount Morris, Livingston county.

Baptisms (infants) 3; Communicants (died 1, removed 1, added 1) present number 40; Funeral 1; Marriage 1; Sunday School teachers 6; scholars 33. A bible class has met for instruction weekly.

Contributions:—

To the Diocesan Missionary Fund, - - -	\$7 00
Education do - - -	4 00
Episcopal do - - -	4 00
Diocesan do - - -	4 00

\$19 00

During the past year my services have been confined chiefly to Mount Morris. I have however, on several occasions, preached a third time on Sunday at the village of Moscow, and once at Groveland. Since the commencement of our ecclesiastical year the church has been opened for divine service, and a lecture on every Holy day mentioned in our calendar, whenever the health of your missionary would permit. But for more than six months during the most interesting season in the order of our services, the winter and spring, my duties were interrupted, either wholly, or in part by a severe illness. The church was kept open however on almost every Sunday by lay-reading, and four Sundays the Rev. A. Bennet, then Principal of the High School, Geneseo, kindly officiated for me.

The plan of systematic charity has been recently introduced with good success. The congregation is thought to be increasing and prosperous.

From the report of the Rev. DEODATUS BARCOCK, Missionary at Ballston Spa, and Saratoga Springs, Saratoga county.

Christ Church, Ballston Spa.—Baptisms (adult 1, infants 13) 14; Marriages 7; Funerals 13; Communicants (added 13, died 5, removed 8, suspended 1) present number 77. Sunday scholars 60, teachers 10.

Collected and paid over—

To the Education and Missionary Society, -	\$32 00
Diocesan Fund, - - -	5 00
Domestic and Foreign Miss. Society, -	5 00

The Parish during the year, have raised and laid out upwards of \$500 in

repairs on the Parsonage. The congregation, for several years past, has suffered considerable diminution from deaths and removals; by the former, some of the most pious and devoted of the flock have been taken to their heavenly rest; by the latter, we are deprived of some of our most respectable and influential families. In other respects the parish may be said to be prosperous.

Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs.—This congregation, during the past year has received its usual amount of religious services; one service on every Sunday from your Missionary, and Morning Service for nearly two months during the summer, from Clergymen visiting the Springs. Though the attendance on Divine Service has been as good as usual, I am grieved to say, there has not been a baptism in the congregation, nor but one added to the Communion. Yet it is a consolation to know that the "good seed" has here been sown; and the hope is entertained that its fruit will yet appear.

Baptisms 0; Marriages 1; Funeral 1; Communicants (added 1, removed 4) 17.

Collections:—

Education and Missionary Society,	23 00
Diocesan Fund,	3 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society, about	7 00

From the Report of the Rev. WILLIAM BAKER, Missionary at Fairfield and Norway, Herkimer county.

The present Missionary entered upon the labors of his station on November 1st, 1837. Since which time his labors have been divided between Fairfield, Norway, Newport and Middleville.

Fairfield and Middleville.—Baptisms, (infants) 3; Marriages 4; Deaths 3; Removed, 2; Confirmed, 7; Communicants 57.

Norway and Newport.—Deaths 2; Confirmed 7; Communicants 37.

The required collections have been made, and will be forwarded in time to appear in the annual report.

From the Report of the Rev. AMOS G. BALDWIN, Missionary at Mayville and Jamestown, Chautauque county.

I have the past year performed service in Mayville, with very little failure from any cause. Attendance about as the half year previous. The Bible class has been continued on Sunday evenings during the whole year, and pretty well attended. The Sunday school has been taught during the summer. The number of scholars, though not large, has been sufficient to excite to the proper care and labor. A benevolent individual purchased last spring all the books of the Sunday School Union for the benefit of the school.

Communicants (added 1) as last year; Baptisms (infant) 1; Marriages 2.

I have performed no services at Jamestown; but, during a part of the year, have performed a third service two miles north of Mayville.

Collection for the Education and Missionary Society, \$3.

From the Report of the Rev. LIBERTY A. BARROWS, Missionary at Norwich, Chenango county.

I entered on my duties here the first Sunday of January, 1838. Since that time my services have been exclusively devoted to this place. I found the Church in a languishing condition. Not one half were attendants on the services that I left but little more than two years previous. The congregation has considerably increased during the summer past. Whether the increase will be permanent, I am not prepared now to say. Infidelity and worldly mindedness are very imposing obstacles to the building up of the Church in this place.

Statistics of Emanuel Church.—Communicants (removed 6, died 1, added 5) 30; Deaths 2; Baptisms (infants) 4; Marriages 2; Sunday school, teach-

ers 9, scholars about 50—regular attendance from 25 to 30. The catechism is taught to all that are of suitable age.

Contributions :—

Education and Missionary Society,	\$4 00
Bible and Prayer Book	3 00
Tract Society,	1 00
Central Prayer Book and Bible Society,	2 00
P. E. Sunday School Union,	12 00
Diocesan Fund,	6 00

From the Report of the Rev. JOHN BAYLEY, Missionary at Owego, Tioga county.

I commenced my labors as Missionary, on the first of October last, in the parishes of Richford, and McLean, officiating in each alternately on Sundays and Holy days. Your Missionary, also, during the winter, held service in the village of Owego, on Thursday evening once in two weeks. On the first of June last, I received a unanimous call from the Vestry of St. Paul's Church, Owego, which after much deliberation was accepted. Consequently the care of the Missionary Station at Richford, and McLean, was relinquished. And here I wish to record the sentiments of respect I entertain for the Communicants in those two parishes. Long may they be sharers in those rich blessings that flow to the hearts of men through the divinely instituted ordinances of the Christian Church.

Since the first of June, your Missionary has devoted his time and attention to Owego and vicinity. The church in this place is yet in its infancy and too much to contend with. There are here a few who profess an enlightened attachment to the church, and are pious and devoted Communicants. I record with pleasure that this parish is an example of the happy influence of occasional though hasty visits and fostering care of our Diocesan.

Zion Church, McLean, Tompkins county.—Baptisms (infants) 1; Communicants (added 2) present number 14; Funeral 1.

Collections :—

Diocesan Missions,	\$3 43
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St. John's Church, Richford, Tioga county.—Baptisms (children) 3; Communicants (added 2) present number 13; Funeral 1.

Collections :—

Diocesan Missions,	\$1 57
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St. Paul's Church, Owego, Tioga county.—Baptisms (adults 5, children 2); Confirmed (at the visitation of the Bishop) 9; Communicants 12. I baptized 5 children upon two different occasions when journeying, and lectured upon the subject.

Through the efforts of a few benevolent ladies, 6 dollars were raised for Prayer-books, and tracts, for gratuitous distribution.

Collections :—

Diocesan Missions,	\$5 00
Education,	3 77

From the Report of the Rev. AMOS B. BEACH, Deacon, Missionary at Walton, Delaware county.

Christ Church, Walton.—Baptisms (adults 5, infants 5) 10; Confirmations 8; Communicants (added 3, removed 4) present number 33; Marriages 3; Burials 5.

Collections :—

Education and Missionary Society,	\$13 00
Diocesan Fund,	4 00

From the Report of the Rev. MOORE BINGHAM, Missionary at Hampton, Washington county.

Christ Church, Hampton.—Communicants (added 0, died 1, transferred 3) 29; Baptisms 2; Sunday School scholars 20.

This parish remains in much the same condition in which it has been for several years past. Its peculiar location and the character of its inhabitants, seem to preclude the hope of any great improvement at present. A circumstance which has always operated to its hindrance, is the bad location of its house of worship; which moreover, is now rapidly falling into a wretched state of decay. Were it taken down, better located and handsomely rebuilt, the congregation would at once be much increased.

Located as this parish is, and as its house of worship ought to be, within half a mile of Troy Conference Academy, its prospects of certain usefulness to the church and to the interests of religion at large, were never nearly so great as they are at present.

Its liberal minded Vestry are fully aware of this; and were their means proportioned either to their generosity or to the demand made upon them, no time would be lost in making these very desirable improvements.

Monthly contributions have lately been commenced, with the hope of aiding the various charities of the church according to our ability.

Contributions made since the present Missionary's connection with the parish and not before reported.

For the purchase of a Glebe of 12½ Acres,	\$300 00
For the repair of Buildings on the same,	160 00
For building new Rectory,	650 00
For Diocesan Fund,	1 50

From the Report of the Rev. JOHNSON A. BRAYTON, Missionary at Hamilton, Madison county.

This parish of which I took the charge in the latter part of January last, had before that time shared the services of a Minister with another parish. It is now making an effort which promises to be successful, to sustain a Minister of itself.

I have officiated constantly at Hamilton, holding two services on Sunday. And also since March, at three other places in Madison county, and one in Oneida county, alternately in a third service, thus endeavoring to do the work of a Missionary in a part of the country which has known but little of the offices of our church. My field of labor has become a very interesting one.

A Sunday School at Hamilton, of which I have the personal superintendence, has an average attendance of about thirty scholars, and eight teachers.

Baptisms (adults 3) 4; Marriages 3; Burials 3.

Collections :—

Diocesan Fund,	\$6 00
Domestic Missionary Fund,	10 25

From the Report of the Rev. NATHAN B. BURGESS, Missionary at Rome, Oneida county.

I have confined my labors mostly to Rome. One Sunday however, I spent in the town of Camden, in this county; where I found several respectable families of Episcopalians. Once I visited them in the course of the week; I have preached there, in all, five times, to very respectable congregations, not less than 150 persons. I have no doubt, if a suitable attention were paid to these people, that a Parish might soon be organized; and with a little assistance a church might be built. Two Sundays I have been absent on business for this church; the remainder I have preached here. With the Festivals and Fasts, and some weekly lectures, though not as many as the last year, owing to a less confirmed state of health. The population is still fluctu-

ating, some removing out of town, others coming in : so that the congregation does not diminish, but slowly increases, and it is most earnestly desired that there might be a corresponding increase of real piety.

The Sunday School numbers about 40 scholars, with 5 teachers; attendance from 20 to 25.

Communicants (removed 2, died 2, added 5) 34; Baptisms (children) 15; Funerals 8; Marriage 1.

Collections :—

Missionary Fund,	\$10 25
Diocesan Fund,	3 47
For Sunday School Books,	6 35
Also for Prayer-books for our own church,	5 00

From the Report of the Rev. LUCIUS CARTER, Missionary at Hunt's Hollow, Allegany county.

St. Mark's Church.—Through God's good providence, there have been no deaths during the past year, to diminish the number of our Communicants, and but one removal : while some who had previously removed have returned. Still as several of those whose names stand upon our list, have not for many months been present at the Communion, I cannot now report a greater number than that which has been given for two years past ; nor can I say that our present prospects are, in any respect, very encouraging.

We have a Bible class consisting of about 20 young persons, and a Sunday School in which about the same number of children are taught "the principles of the doctrine of Christ," from the Church Catechism and the New Testament.

Since the first of July, I have officiated at this church every Sunday, morning and afternoon, and have held a third service once a month at Middle Falls, about 7 miles distant, and, as often, in another extreme part of the parish.

Communicants about 80; Bible class and Sunday scholars 40 to 50; Baptisms (infants) 4; Marriages 2.

At Perry village, Genesee county, I continued to officiate one Sunday in each month until the 1st of July; making in all, from the time when I first held service there, 12 Sundays.

It was then thought, that, as the Rev. Mr. Waldo was residing in the neighborhood, and willing to officiate occasionally, though in feeble health, and as some aid might be expected from other clergymen in the vicinity, my own labors might be as well bestowed nearer home. As yet, no parish has been organized in that place.

From the Report of the Rev. JOSEPH T. CLARK, Missionary at Skeneatles, and Marcellus, Onondaga county.

St. James' Church, Skeneatles, and St. John's Church, Marcellus.—Marriages in St. James' 15; Baptisms (infants) 10; Funerals 10.

In St. John's, Baptisms 4; Funerals 3.

Contributions :—

To the Education and Missionary Society,	\$15 00
Diocesan Fund,	5 00
From St. John's,	5 00

From the Rev. ISAIAH G. DE GRASSE, Deacon, a coloured man, Missionary to the colored congregations at Jamaica, Newtown, and Flushing, Queens county.

Your Missionary entered upon his duties at the station of Jamaica, Newtown, and Flushing, Queens county, on the 22d July last. He has thought

fit, after consulting with the Bishop, to substitute Hallé's Cove, for Newtown, as affording a more important field of usefulness. Thus far he is exceedingly encouraged in his Ministerial efforts, and he would also take the liberty of saying that he now more than ever, firmly believes, that the Liturgy of the Episcopal Church, is in every respect, best calculated for the spiritual advancement, and moral elevation of his brethren, among whom he is officiating. The shortness of time that I have been on the Island, and the newness of this enterprise, will scarcely enable me to present an exact report of the true strength of Episcopalians here. I will, therefore, simply state, that with the exception of two Sundays, my labors have been given entirely to my three congregations.

During the time, I have had, Baptisms (adults 2, infants 3) 5; Deaths 2; Communicants 9.

At Jamaica, there is a Sunday School usually well attended. Also a Bible class for adults, which your Missionary conducts. There is also a Female Benevolent Society, all which are exerting a happy and salutary influence. Under the blessing, and guidance of Almighty God, I have no doubt, but that immense good, will eventually result from the establishment of the Missionary Station.

From the Report of the Rev. JOHN DOWDNEY, jun. Missionary at Kingston, Ulster county.

St. John's Church, Kingston.—Baptisms (infants) 6; Marriage 1; Funerals 4; Communicants (added 3, removed 3) present number 29.

Contributions :—

Diocesan Fund,	\$5 62
Education Fund of the Diocese,	5 00
Missionary do do do	10 51
Prot. Episcopal Tract Society of the Diocese,	5 62
General Theological Seminary,	4 50

In addition to these sums, about \$200 have been raised by the "Female Circle of Industry." This amount is to be appropriated toward the payment of the parish debt. The few ladies who have thus aided the parish by their benevolent efforts, deserve the utmost credit for their zeal and efficiency. They have been untiring in their exertions to sustain the church. About \$50 have been contributed by the congregation to defray the incidental expenses of the parish.

The heavy debt under which this parish is laboring, is a mighty hindrance to its growth and welfare. The attendance upon public worship during the past year has been considerably larger than at any time previous. The condition of the Sunday School is about the same as stated in my last report. It has 10 teachers and about 40 scholars in regular attendance. In addition to the services of Sunday, there has been public worship on Christmas, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and Thansgiving day; and on other occasions during Lent. I have not held as many extra services as I could wish on account of the difficulty of obtaining a congregation during the week. Since my last report I have preached once at Esopus.

This station is one of peculiar difficulty owing to the stubborn prejudices which prevail against our Constitution and Liturgy. Often have I felt discouraged under the burden of sustaining the parish on account of its debt. But I have endeavoured to act according to my ability and judgment in discharging my duties as your Missionary. I am convinced however that more, much more might have been accomplished, by greater exertion and perseverance.

From the Report of the Rev. PALMER DYER, Missionary at White Hall, Washington county.

St. Paul's Church, White Hall, is prosperous. The house of worship is a beautiful Gothic structure, surmounted with a Cross, and is nearly finished.

In its basement story a Lecture-room has been fitted up, in which we now hold our services.

I have officiated on 2 Sundays in Granville; and, on week-days, once in Hampton, once in Dresden, in this county; and once in West Haven, Vt.

A Female Association was organized in the parish last winter, and has already raised about \$275, for parochial purposes.

Mrs. Stephen Warren, and other ladies of Troy, have furnished the parish with materials for the trimmings of the Desk and Pulpit, besides a donation of \$30. We have also received a donation of \$50 from Mrs. Mancius, of Stillwater, to aid us in the purchase of church furniture.

Families 45; Catechumens 45; Baptisms (infants 10, adults 8) 18; Confirmations 10; Communicants (added 10, removed 2) 38; Marriages 2; Burials 4.

Contributions :—

For Building the Church,	\$2200 00
Other parish purposes,	147 00
N. Y. Bible and Prayer-book Society,	1 59
Diocesan Fund,	2 05
Protestant Episcopal S. S. Union,	1 69
N. Y. Education and Missionary Society,	2 14
N. Y. Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	1 59
General Theological Seminary,	1 69
Charitable purposes,	22 16
Furnishing the Church, &c., by Fem. Asso.	275 00
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From the Report of the Rev. EDMUND EMBURY, Missionary at Penn Yan, Yates county.

It is with feelings of deepest gratitude to Almighty God that your Missionary reports the present highly flourishing state of his parish. Although for the first five months of the past year we labored under every disadvantage in being compelled to worship in a room so poor and inconvenient, that very many could not be induced to attend our services even once, a circumstance which presented a serious obstacle to ministerial effort and success, yet no sooner was our church in readiness to receive its little flock, than numbers were attracted to it from almost every village and district in the county. The congregation immediately began to increase and has continued to do so ever since, and often it has been my pleasure to see before me an audience highly respectable both for numbers and appearance. At times, indeed, the church has been well nigh filled. And so encouraging are the prospects at the present moment, that we may believe that ere long an enlargement of the building will be necessary.

In the erection of the church edifice, assistance was kindly afforded by the Corporation of Trinity Church, New-York, and our Vestry have recorded their sentiments of gratitude in a resolution which is here copied from the minutes :—

“Resolved, That the Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Mark’s Church, Penn Yan, hereby tender their thanks to the Corporation of Trinity Church, New-York, for their liberal donation of \$1000.”

During the past year, I have preached, besides performing the usual Sunday services, on every Friday previous to the Communion, which is celebrated on the first Sunday of every month, on the Fast and Festivals, and also on every funeral occasion.

Baptisms (infants 2, adults 6) 8; Confirmations 7, one a candidate from Waterloo parish; Communicants (added during the last seven months 9, removed 1, died 1) about 26; Marriage 1; Deaths 3.

From the Report of the Rev. GEORGE B. ENGLE, Missionary at Fulton, Oswego county, and Baldwinsville, Onondaga county.

From the date of my last report I continued to officiate at Fayetteville and Pompey, Onondaga county, on alternate Sundays, until the 17th of June.

At Pompey, in consequence of the unfavorable condition of the parish in the winter season, the Bible class was discontinued; which gave me an opportunity of devoting every Sunday evening to the instruction of a Bible class at Fayetteville, which continued until I left. The aspect of the parishes had not materially changed since my last report.

Pompey.—Baptism (adult) 1; Marriages 3; Communicants (added 1, removed 1) 32.

Fayetteville.—Baptisms (adult 1, children 8) 9; Communicants (added 1, and correcting a mistake in the last report) 30.

Fulton, Oswego county, and Baldwinsville, Onondaga county.—Since the 8th of July, when I first officiated here, I have preached at these places on alternate Sundays. (The distance between the two parishes on the easiest rout is about 15 miles.)

At Fulton there are but few Episcopalians. Their pious zeal, however, without the aid or influence of a pastor, (for they have never before had one,) has led them to commence a house for the worship of Almighty God, which they hope to finish next summer. They are but feeble: yet I trust they are doing what they can.

Baptisms (adult 1, infant 1) 2; Communicants (new 1) 17.*

At Baldwinsville there are also a few Episcopalians; and they are quite anxious to see the Church established there. Formerly the Rev. Mr. Salmon preached a part of the time for a few months. But they had since almost despaired, yet hoped that the time would come when they could stately hear our responsive service among them. Our congregation is yet quite small, but we hope it will continue to increase. Communicants 3.

From the Report of the Rev. BENJ. EVANS, Missionary at Patterson, Putnam county, and North Salem, Westchester county.

Christ Church, Patterson.—Baptisms (adults 2, infant 1) 3; Confirmed 2; Communicants (added 3, removed 1) 14; Married 2; Funerals 3. S. School, Pupils 30, Teachers 5, and Library 60 volumes.

Collections:—

Missions in the Diocese,	- - - - -	\$5 00
Episcopal Fund,	- - - - -	1 00
Diocesan Fund,	- - - - -	3 00
Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	- - - - -	2 00

The books used in the Sunday School are those published by the P. E. Sunday School Union. All the scholars that are able to read are instructed in the Church catechism.

I am happy to say that those very essential things of which our Church and Vestry room were destitute, when I sent my last report, are now supplied. The cost has been \$30. The Wardens and Vestry, too, have caused to be made in front of the Church a very neat and durable fence.

Our congregations are large and respectable. From among these, I hope, with the blessing of God, to add many to our communion.

St. James' Church, North Salem.—Baptisms (adult) 1; Confirmed 3; Com-

* It is but justice to say that the Rev. Mr. McCarty, of Oswego, has the warmest thanks of our friends here, for the kindness he has shown towards them, and the services which he has afforded them.

municants (added by removal 1, new 6) 26; Marriages 2; Funerals 1.

Collections :—

Missions in the Diocese,	\$5 00
Episcopal Fund,	2 00
Diocesan Fund,	1 62
Bible and Prayer-Book Society,	2 45

At no period since I have been connected with this parish has it been so prosperous as in the past year. These things are indeed cheering to the heart of the Missionary, and for which he feels thankful to the great Head of the Church.

The ladies of this parish continue their sewing society; and its avails they have wisely appropriated to improvements about the Church and pulpit, and to the purchase of those things which are so necessary for every well-ordered Church.

In the neighborhood of this parish I have, during the past year, officiated once a month. And in Sawling's town, the place mentioned in my last report, (in the printed report, through some mistake, it was called Burlington) I have officiated nine times—given away eighteen Prayer Books, and circulated a great many tracts. It is truly pleasing to hear so many, in this new congregation, audibly and devoutly joining in the service of the Church. And the greater part of these never heard an Episcopal Minister until your Missionary went among them; no, nor never saw a Prayer book until those which they now have were put into their hands. But such was their candor, and willingness to be instructed in the principles and services of the Church, that they received the Missionary with all kindness: and their large attendance, as well as earnest and devout behavior, prove that these feelings have not abated.

Guided by the "caution" of our Diocesan, as given in a note on page 45 of the Journal of the fifty-first Convention, we have not organized a parish. But we hope, should our lives be spared until next Convention, to come forward as a well organized parish, and be received by that body as a branch of Christ's Church.

From the Report of the Rev. EDWARD K. FOWLER, Missionary at Monticello, Sullivan county.

I have, during the last year, officiated at Monticello on nearly every Sunday morning, and in the afternoon at either Bridgeville or Thompsonville.

Baptisms (adults 5, children 7) 12; Confirmed 13; Marriages 3; Funerals 8; Communicants (added 11, died 4, removed 2) 45.

Contributions :

Diocesan Missionary Society,	\$4 00
Theological Seminary,	2 00

Report of the Rev. ALEXANDER FRAZER, Missionary at large in the city of New-York.

Since my last annual report I have renewed cause for gratitude to the giver of all good, for His mercies and favors. Although the past has been a year of much distress among the poor of this city; yet through the bounty of the benevolent, committed to him for the relief of the poor, the Missionary has seldom had to refuse relief to those whom he knew to be worthy of it. He has had the unspeakable and blessed privilege, of ministering to the necessities of the afflicted, suffering and destitute. During the past year, I have distributed among the poor and sick, the sum of \$634 62, and a large amount of clothing and other necessities, furnished by the friends of the poor—made 3498 visits to the sick, the poor, the careless and the vicious, in various parts of the city—officiated 95 times in the city and vicinity on Sunday—distributed 21,000 pages of tracts, and a number of prayer books and Bibles. I have also performed the following acts :—Baptisms (infants) 18; Marriages 6, Funerals 10. In my visits among the poor I have obtained a number of chil-

dren for the daily and Sunday schools, connected with the city Mission and other Churches. Although I have not very often met with serious opposition in my labors as Missionary at large, yet I am constantly coming in contact with people, and things, that are very unpleasant, and which demand the exercise of all the graces of the Spirit. None but those who visit among the abject, and outcast poor, can form any conception of the nature, extent, and rapid increase of the vice, poverty and wretchedness concentrated in many parts of this city. Truly the harvest is great, and, in this department, the laborers are few.

From the Report of the Rev. DAVID GRIFFITH, Missionary at Morristown and Heuvelton, St. Lawrence county.

Baptisms (infants) 4; Marriages 4; Funerals 3; Communicants, including both places. (added since my last report 3, removed 2) present number 36.

Sunday School, (Morristown) one male superintendent, 5 female teachers; scholars on the list 35—average attendance from 25 to 30; 20 have been instructed in the catechism; 12 have learnt the answers in part 1st and 2d of the Epistles and Gospels. I have attended the school every fortnight.

Collection :—

For Diocesan Missionary and Education Society, \$20 00

Since my last report, besides officiating morning and afternoon, on alternate Sundays at Morristown and Heuvelton, I have held four evening services at schoolhouses.

The Church at Morristown was open on Thanksgiving day, Christmas day, Ash Wednesday, and Good Friday. The services, when the weather was favorable, were as numerously attended as might have been expected in small villages, where the inhabitants are so much divided in their religious sentiments.

From the Report of the Rev. HUMPHREY HOLLIS, Missionary at South Danby, Tompkins county, and Candor, Tioga county.

The present incumbent, took charge of this Station in November last, which had been destitute of clerical services from the time of the Rev. L. Carter's resignation the June previous. His Sundays have been equally divided between South Danby and Candor, in whose churches there have been performed alternately, regular services and public preaching without one omission.

Once he has exchanged with the Rev. Dr. Judd, of Ithaca; once been favored with his preaching and services in the administration of the Lord's Supper, and once exchanged with the Rev. Richard Smith, when he officiated in St. John's Church, Johnson's Settlement.

In addition to this he has occasionally held in neighboring school-houses or the churches, a third service, preached on the principal Festivals and Fast; and once in the Owego Court House, (on a week-day evening,) in presence of and at the request of the Rev. J. Bayley. Owing to the peculiarity of his location, and circumstances, he has not extended his labors as much as he could have wished, and under other circumstances would with pleasure have done.

In relation to the two churches he has the honor to serve, he would beg leave to say :—

Christ Church, Danby, is situated in the extreme south-east part of the town. The community is quite respectable for religion and morality (principally tillers of the soil) among whom there are a few families who are zealous, pious, and consistent supporters of "the Church." But as the population is sparse and the inhabitants generally, having already attached themselves to religious societies, large accessions cannot be reasonably expected. Nothing has occurred the past year to mar the harmony or hinder their onward progress, and it is thought I believe by its friends that at no time has the church been more truly flourishing or its prospects more encouraging.

A Ladies' Sewing Society has been in operation a few months, which promises usefulness. Sunday School, between 20 and 30 scholars, teachers 5; volumes 30; Confirmed 3; Communicants (died 1, added 7) present number 27; Marriages 2; Burials 6.

Collections:—

Diocesan Missionary Disposable Fund,	\$10 00
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St. Mark's Church, Candor, is located in a small village where there are two settled Ministers and two old established religious societies. In this place the church is sustained by a few families whose superiors in their love and zeal for the Church are seldom found.

The congregation was found very small: however, there has been an increase of a few permanent, and many occasional attendants. The Communion has been much strengthened by the addition of some pious and efficient individuals. Your Missionary administered one baptism in this church highly interesting to him, and worthy to be made more public. It was that of an infant brought by its parents on foot nearly 10 miles beneath a scorching sun. The parents are emigrants from England, and your Missionary has been informed that there are one or two more families in the same neighborhood, (which is a "back settlement,") a part of whom are pious, and have formerly been Communicants of "the Church of England." These he intends to visit, not having found hitherto opportunity which he exceedingly regrets.

A flourishing Sunday School has been in operation through the summer though but few scholars attend. Volumes in Library 25.

Baptisms (adult 1, children 6) 7; Confirmed (1 at Danby and 1 at Owego) 2; Communicants (removed 2, added 7) present number 17; Marriage 1.

Collections:—

For Diocesan Missionary Fund	\$10 00
Sunday School Library,	5 00
	\$15 00

From the Report of the Rev. REUBEN HUBBARD, Missionary at Mechanicville and Stillwater, Saratoga county.

In *St. Luke's Church, Mechanicville*, 2 adults have been baptized, 2 persons confirmed, and 2 admitted to the holy Communion; present number of Communicants, 13.

Collection:—

Diocesan Missionary Fund,	\$3 00
Diocesan Fund,	2 00

St. John's Church, Stillwater, 3 infants have been baptized, 2 persons confirmed, and 7 persons admitted to the Communion; one has died; present number 19.

Collections:—

Diocesan Missionary Fund,	\$8 75
Diocesan Fund,	1 30

Since the last convention, I have divided my services equally between the two parishes. I have often had a third service on Sunday evening, and have given lectures frequently in school-houses and private houses, where I could collect a congregation. In no part of the Diocese, have I met a stronger prejudice against the Church than in this neighbourhood, and I fear much good seed has fallen on stony places. I hope the prejudices are now diminishing. I have baptized five persons, joined two couple in Matrimony, and officiated at five funerals. Besides, I have spent one Sunday in the service of Zion Church, Sandy Hill, administered the Lord's Supper, and admitted 2 new communicants.

From the Report of the Rev. JOHN HUGHES, Missionary at Gilbertsville and Otego, Otsego county.

During the past year, my time has been divided between Gilbertsville and Otego. Every thing connected with the Church at Gilbertsville, is truly encouraging. Notwithstanding the shortness of the time since its organization, and the difficulties which we have had to contend with, the site of moral cultivation; and religious instruction having been for many years preoccupied by three different sects, whose insinuating policy and formidable opposition to the Church have not been wanting. Yet, through the blessing of God, it hath prospered beyond our most sanguine expectation. About eight have been received to the Communion since the commencement; several of whom, however, have removed to the West. The official account of last year is as follows:

Baptisms, (infants 2, adults 8,) 10; Confirmed 12; added to the Communion 13; removed 5; present number 60.

Collections:—

Education and Missionary Society,	. . . \$15 00
Diocesan Fund,	. . . 3 00
Episcopal Fund,	. . . 3 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	. . . 3 00
Tract Society,	. . . 2 00
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	\$26 00

Immanuel Church, Otego.—This Church continues small and feeble, almost every family that composed it at first have removed to the West.

Communicants 8.

Collections:—

Bible and Prayer Book Society,	. . . \$2 12
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From the Report of the Rev. AARON HUMPHREY, Missionary at Waddington, St. Lawrence county.

In presenting this Annual Report, your Missionary would render his unfeigned thanks to Almighty God, for that measure of health which has enabled him to continue his services uninterruptedly in both the parishes of which he has pastoral charge, and also for that degree of success which has attended his feeble efforts for the advancement of the kingdom of Christ.

Services have been continued as usual, three-fourths of the Sundays in Waddington, and the other fourth in Lisbon. The congregation in Waddington has, during the past year, increased in numbers, and there is reason to hope, in some instances, in serious attention to the all-important concerns of their salvation.

The Sunday School is not as flourishing as it has heretofore been, owing to the want of a sufficient number of efficient teachers.

On the twelfth day of last October, an Episcopal Church was organized according to the statute regulating the incorporation of parishes at Lisbon. The prospects of this Church are not very flattering. It has no house of worship, and the school house in which we hold Divine Service, is small and inconvenient. The Church here sustained a serious loss in the removal by death of Mr. Obadiah Platt, its senior Warden, the oldest and most enlightened Episcopalian in the place.

Had we a convenient house for worship, there is reason to believe that through the divine blessing, the Church would soon obtain a respectable standing even in Lisbon.

St. Paul's, Waddington.—Baptisms, (infants 7, adults 2,) 9; marriages 5; burial 1; added to the Communion 4; confirmed 10; number of communicants 30; Sunday Scholars 45.

Collection:—

N. Y. Education and Missionary Society,	. . \$15 00
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St. Luke's Lisbon.—Baptisms, (infants 2, adults 1,) 3; marriage 1; burials 2; communicants 8.

From the Report of the Rev. **HIRAM JELLIFF**, Missionary at Lithgow, Dutchess county.

Since the date of my last Annual Report, I have continued to officiate in the following manner, viz.: in St. Peter's, Lithgow, on every Sunday morning, with three exceptions.

This seemed to me, the better course to be pursued, as the congregation under my charge would then be favored regularly with our invaluable services, and in a measure, secured from those popular delusions which have spread over our land—error, heresy, and schism.

Two Sundays have been devoted to the interests of St. Paul's Church, at Pleasant Valley, together with one five-o'clock service, P. M.

There are a few individuals in that vicinity, who appear to be much engaged in Church matters, and would be much delighted in seeing the borders of their little Zion extended beyond its present limits; but there are impediments to encounter: these are the want of a commodious building to meet in, and the means to secure the regular services of a clergyman. Our evening services have been scattered over a wide surface, as heretofore, with few alterations.

At Stanford, my appointments have been regularly met every fourth week. The congregation at that place has been usually full. I have also officiated several times at a place called the Square, and at the city once. The former of those two places, I intended to make a regular station, should Providence permit. I have officiated once at Stanford Ville to an attentive and overflowing congregation. I shall probably hold frequent services there.

Besides those already enumerated, occasional lectures have been rendered in various parts of the parish; and from observation, I have reason to conclude, that our little Church has daily advanced in strength.

The number added to our communion during the past year, is 1; by removal 2;—3. One who was in readiness, has recently removed to Michigan. Our present number therefore, is 25.

Baptisms, (adult) 1; burial 1; marriages 3. Sunday scholars about 30, under the direction of three teachers. A Bible Class composed of 15, has been recently organized.

Collections for various objects, are as follows:—

Education and Missionary Society,	\$10 00
Bible and Prayer Book,	3 00
Episcopal Tract Society,	2 25
Diocesan Fund,	2 18
General Theological Seminary,	2 00
By a friend to the General Theo. Sem.,	57

Whole amount, \$20 00

From the Report of the Rev. **LOT JONES**, Missionary in the City of New-York, in charge of the Mission Church of the Epiphany.

The congregation under my charge assumed on the first of May, by the consent of the City Mission Society, the ordinary expenses of public worship for the current year, exclusive of the salary of the Missionary. The influence of this increased responsibility, so far as it can be inferred from present appearances, will be salutary. The energies of the congregation have been called into efficient action. More will be accomplished than during any former year for advancing the interest of religion. All feel as if new strength had been imparted to them for discharging their duties. I am also gratified in being able to state, that there is a decided increase of devotedness to those things which pertain to their everlasting peace. No other changes have occurred

which require special notice, but what will be found in the following summary.

Baptisms (adults 5; infants 89;) 94; Marriages 26; Funerals 75; Communicants 291; Added 65; Died 17; Removed 47. Sunday School Scholars 404; Teachers 41. Infant School, whole number of scholars during the year 360; average attendance 165; Teachers 3. 44 copies of the "Children's Magazine," and 61 copies of "The Spirit of Missions," are taken.

Offerings for benevolent objects:—

To the Bible and Common Prayer Book Soc.	\$6 27
P. E. Tract Society,	7 27
Young Men's Aux. Edu. and Miss. Soc.	8 00
Domestic Missions,	10 00
Foreign Missions,	10 00
For the Infant School,	36 00
For the Sunday School,	50 28
For City Mission Society, (exclusive of Sunday collections,)	121 32
By ladies of the congregation for the poor in the vicinity,	160 00
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From the Report of the Rev. JAMES KEELER, Missionary at Harpersville, Broome county.

I have as usual officiated regularly in St. Luke's Church, Harpersville, except several Sundays on which I was necessarily absent from home. On one of those Sundays I preached in Wilton, Ct. and another in New Canaan for a sick brother. I also officiated on a week day in the latter place at a funeral. Once I have visited Coventry, and once Colehill, at which time I baptized 1 adult and 3 children.

We have some reason to thank God and take courage. Though our numbers remain nearly the same, there appears to be more attention to religious duties, particularly the duty of bringing young children to Christ. Several persons are wishing to receive Confirmation, that they may be united to the Communion of the Church. There appears also to be an increase of piety, which is manifested by the constituents of religion, love to God and man.

Families 46; Baptisms (1 adult and 12 infants,) 13; Marriages 3; Funerals 4; Communicants (4 removed, 1 died, 5 added,) 46. Sunday scholars 40; Teachers 12.

Collections:

Missionary Fund,	\$10 00
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From the Report of the Rev. EZRA B. KELLOGG, Missionary in the City of New-York, in charge of the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists.

Since my last Annual Report, there have been added to the Communion of the Church of the Holy Evangelists, 53 persons; new communicants 20; deaths 5; removals 21; present number 183.

Baptisms 68; Burials 16; Marriages 5. Parish and Sunday School libraries 777 vols.; Readers 113.

The general prosperity of the Sunday and Daily Infant Schools, is believed to be as great at present as ever, though both have suffered the diminution common to all our city schools, during the summer months. Our register, as revised in May last, will probably give as just a representation as any other, of the state of these schools. According to this, the number of Sunday scholars, who were occasional attendants, was 419; average attendance 152; Sunday School teachers 36. Number of scholars in the Daily Infant School, at that time, 312; average attendance 150.

I see no reason why I ought not to report this Church as in a highly promising condition.

From the Report of the Rev. JOHN KNILL, Missionary at Port Jackson, Montgomery county, and West Charlton, Saratoga county.

When the present Missionary took charge of these united parishes, about 4 months since, he found them both in a very low condition; the one from the imbecility of age, the other from the weakness of infancy. But he is happy to have it in his power to report that, by the blessing of God upon his labors, an unusual increase has been witnessed in the numbers ordinarily attending upon his ministrations, and the regular services of the Church; so that the congregations in both the parishes committed to his charge, have been more than doubled during the short space of his ministry among them, and the prospect is still encouraging.

The holy Communion has been administered once in each parish, in St. Mary's, West Charlton, to 6, and in St. Ann's, Port Jackson, to 9 communicants. Baptisms (infants) 11; Marriages 3; Funerals 3.

It was not thought expedient to make collections or contributions in either of our parishes, towards the funds of the several religious and charitable institutions which the Church sustains, owing to the embarrassed state of our own financial affairs; having had to struggle with a heavy debt which, however, is now in a fair way of being entirely canceled.

From the Report of the Rev. DANIEL S. LEWIS, Deacon, Missionary at West Troy, Albany county.

Trinity Church, West Troy.—Baptisms (adults 1, infants 8;) 9; Confirmed 2; Marriages 3; Deaths 8; Communicants (added 3, removed 3,) 15.

Collections :—

Missionary,	\$10 00
Diocesan,	6 00
Education,	3 00
S. S. Union,	3 00
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	\$22 00

Public services have been held in this Church regularly every Sunday, and upon the principal holy-days during the past year. Although the additions to the Communion have been small, the number of attendants, upon public worship has greatly increased, with a corresponding attachment to the order and devotion of our excellent Liturgy. And your Missionary would add that an unusual degree of harmony at present exists among its members, the want of which, has heretofore so greatly retarded its advancement.

The Sunday School embraces 40 scholars and 8 teachers, and is under the personal superintendence of your Missionary. The ladies of this parish, though few in number, have, with a zeal deserving the highest commendation, raised \$200 towards liquidating a debt contracted for an organ; and the young men \$90, for improving the interior of the Church.

Upon a retrospect of the past year, your Missionary would only say, that there is much in this Church to gratify its friends abroad, and to encourage the few who have so actively engaged in supporting a laborer in this portion of His vineyard.

From the Rev. STEPHEN M'HUGH, Missionary at Holland Patent and Oriskany, Oneida county.

Your Missionary has continued to labor in both the parishes comprising his charge, agreeably to the arrangement noticed in his last Annual Report. The congregation at Oriskany gradually increases; that at Holland Patent not as much as your Missionary could wish, nor indeed as he in the commencement of his labors had reason to hope for, but still there is cause for gratitude that it is advancing, however slow, and what it wants in this respect seems to be made up in the increased spirituality of the people.

The statistics of both parishes are as follows:—

Holland Patent.—Baptisms (adults 2, infants 4) 6; Confirmed 7; Marriages 7; Burials 5; Communicants (added 11, died 1) total 34.

Collections:—

Education and Missionary Society,	\$5 50
Diocesan Fund,	2 50

Oriskany.—Baptisms (adults 9, infants 10) 19; Confirmed 8; Burials 5; Marriages 5; Communicants (added 12, suspended 1, removed 1) total 59.

Collections:—

Education and Missionary Society,	\$4 50
Diocesan Fund,	3 00

From the Report of the Rev. DARWIN B. MASON, M. D. Deacon, Missionary at Granville, Washington county.

Trinity Church, Granville.—Baptisms (adults 2, infants 3) 5; Marriage 1; Funerals 5; Communicants (added 8, died 2, removed 2) present number 60.

Contributed:—

To the Diocesan Education and Missionary Society,	\$14 50
Diocesan Fund,	4 06
For Seminary,	4 00
For Tract Society,	4 25

There is a good degree of interest manifested in the Sunday School and Bible Class.

From the Report of the Rev. THOMAS MEACHAM, Missionary at Centerfield, Ontario county.

My services the past year, have been divided equally between Centerfield and East Bloomfield; and as these villages are only four miles distant I have generally held a third service in one or the other on the Lord's Day.

I cannot say that I am quite as sanguine as I was the former year in regard to the prospects of the church here.

The statistics are as follows:—

Marriages 5; Funerals (infants 2, adults 2) 4; Communicants (removed 2, died 1, added 2) about 50.

Contributions:—

To the Missionary Disposable Fund,	\$15 00
Prayer Book Society,	5 00
Tract Society,	5 00
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	\$25 00

From the Report of the Rev. TIMOTHY MINOR, Missionary at Cherry Valley, and Westford, Otsego county.

During two years and eight months of my Missionary labors at Port Jackson, I effected the adjustment of the long disputed claims upon the Fort-Hunter Glebe property, and settled the entire estate, by which, with the very liberal donation of \$1500, granted by Trinity Church, and a small amount of private donations, the Corporation of St. Ann's Church, have received about \$4000. And seeing their debt, incurred in building their church, nearly cancelled, and all their affairs in a prosperous state; I resigned my charge at this place on the 19th day of May last: and went directly to Rensselaerville, Albany county, where I remained eight days, in which I performed the services, and preached seven times.

I commenced in my present field of labor, in Otsego county, on the 1st day

of July. In Westford, on the 9th, I organized St. Timothy's Church. The number of Families attending this church, are computed at about 30.

Baptisms (adults 3, children 2) 5; further particulars not yet ascertained.

On the 23d, I organized Trinity Church, in Cherry Valley, the place of my residence. Connected with this church, are some 40 very respectable Families. Baptism (infant) 1. I have twice performed a third service in Springfield, distance from Cherry Valley, 7 miles. And as there is a general attendance, I design to continue this appointment.

In these several towns, the prospect appears favorable to the building up of the Church. By the present arrangement my time is to be equally divided between Cherry Valley and Westford.

Contributions of St. Timothy's Church, Westford :—

For the Diocesan Missionary Society,	\$2 00
Diocesan Fund,	2 00

Contribution of Trinity Church, Cherry Valley :—

For the Diocesan Missionary Society,	\$1 00
Diocesan Fund,	1 00

From the Report of the Rev. THOMAS MORRIS, Missionary at Ellicottville and Olean, Cattaraugus county.

At Olean there have been Marriages 2; Baptisms (adults 2) 4; Communicants (died 1, added 6, removed 3) present number 15.

Ellicottville :—Baptized (infants) 4; Marriages 2; Communicants 17.

We have here also a Sunday School and a Bible Class, both are tolerably well attended. We also have a Sunday School at Olean.

Owing to the circumstance, that during the present year we have been furnishing our churches, I have had to omit the canonical collections. However I have collected :—

For Sunday School at Ellicottville,	\$13 00
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From the Report of the Rev. RUFUS MURRAY, Missionary at Lewiston, Niagara county.

For the past year, your Missionary respectfully reports; that his services on Sundays, have been exclusively confined to St. Paul's Church, with the exception of one spent on a visit to the parish of his former charge, and one given to Manchester, where he performed the Morning and Evening service, preached and baptized one child.

A third service has frequently been held in the adjoining neighborhood, and especially at Fort Niagara to the United States troops, who are always orderly and remarkably attentive to the services of the Church.

By the blessing of the Divine head, the interests of St. Paul's Church have been gradually gaining; and we have great reason for joy and thankfulness, that prosperity and happiness crown our humble efforts.

At the recent visitation of our Bishop, 22 persons were Confirmed; Baptisms (adults 6, infants 16) 22; Marriages 14; Burials 5; Communicants (added 6, removed 5) present number 31; Sunday school scholars 30; 1 superintendent and 3 teachers.

Collection :—

For Missionary Board of the Diocese,	\$13 00
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From the Report of the Rev. GEORGE H. NORTON, Missionary at Allen's Hill, Ontario county.

Your Missionary continues to occupy the station at Allen's Hill, and through the goodness of providence has been enabled with very few excep-

tions, to preach on every Lord's day, for the year past. The condition of this parish remains about the same as was reported the last year. The number of Families have been gradually diminishing by removals to the western part of the State, and there has been but one added to the Communion.

St. Paul's Church, Allen's Hill.—Communicants (added 1, died 2) present number 40; Baptisms (infants) 6; Funerals 3.

Collection :—

For Missionary Society,	\$11 00
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From the Report of the Rev. SETH S. ROGERS, Missionary at Fayetteville and Mount Upton, Chenango county.

Christ Church, Fayetteville.—Communicants, present number 45; Marriages 5; Baptism (infant) 1; Burials (adults 2, infants 2) 4.

Collections :—

Missionary,	\$8. 07
Education, - - - - -	1 00
Diocesan, - - - - -	3 00
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Grace Church, Mount Upton.—

Collection :—

Missionary,	\$2 08
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The congregation at Fayetteville is in much the same state that it was when I made my last report. The services are well attended, especially by the youth, and I have organized a Bible Class, which I think will be the means of doing much good. The Sunday School has been continued the past summer. The Vestry have an insurance on the church for \$1500. Although there has been no additions to the Communion the past year, and but one baptism, your Missionary has no reason to be discouraged. I have exchanged with Rev. Messrs. Bush, Barrows, and Keeler, beside which I have preached once in a neighboring district. I have also preached since the first of June every Sunday in the church at Mount Upton, at 5 o'clock, and have now reason to think that this parish may be built up. This congregation has increased considerably. These parishes feel grateful for the aid extended to them by the Missionary Society of the Diocese, and pray that the same may be continued; for without Missionary aid they could not sustain themselves.

From the Report of the Rev. THOMAS J. RUGER, Missionary at Sherburne, Chenango county.

In reporting the condition of Christ Church, Sherburne, I can embrace only that part of the year which has elapsed since the first of January, the time when I entered upon the duties of Minister to the parish. From the 1st of January last, the parish has been separate from St. Thomas' Church, Hamilton, with which it had been previously connected as a Missionary station. Being few in numbers and of moderate means, they have exerted themselves to the extent of their abilities to possess themselves of the undivided services of a clergyman.

The number of Communicants added are 8, removed 4, present number 64. The Sunday School is about the same as reported by my predecessor. Though some families attached to the congregation, have removed, yet on the whole the congregation has somewhat increased, and we would trust there has been a growth in grace and the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

From the Report of the Rev. CHARLES SEABURY, Missionary at Setauket and Islip, Suffolk county.

It is with pleasure I again address my annual parish report to you, assuring you that within my mission things are going on as well as I can any ways expect.

Through the mercy of God, I have been so far well in health, as to attend to all my parish duties; and through his grace I have done it with pleasure and alacrity.

The parish of Islip is as usual, but owing to many strangers being there from New York, the congregation has been better this summer than it generally is. I believe I have remarked to you formerly, that when I first took charge of the church in Setauket, three years passed by before I had a single subject for baptism. Things are now in a far better state, as you will see, there have been several adult baptisms; and also several infants have been baptized during the year past. The congregation is large and very attentive.

Baptisms (adults 6, infants 7) total 13; Marriages 3; Funerals 6. In addition to these, there are five or six children whom their parents wish to have baptized, but they are far off and wish to make an arrangement to meet at one house.

Collections :—

At Setauket,	\$4 50
At Islip,	2 00

From the Report of the Rev. ROBERT SHAW, Missionary at Marlborough, Ulster county.

Your Missionary continued to officiate in the parish of St. Andrew's Church, Walden, Orange county, and Christ Church, Marlborough, in the manner last reported till the 21st of May; when I commenced at Marlborough the constant services of the church.

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 2) 3; Confirmations (one not of the parish) 2; Communicants 10; Funeral 1.

Collections :—

For Diocesan Missionary Society,	\$4 00
do Education Society,	2 00
do Fund,	1 25

Perhaps from the above statistics some might think this quite an uninviting and unpromising field. Such a conclusion I should however regard as ill founded, when it is remembered that the whole amount of clerical labor bestowed upon this parish, from its first formation, is not more than two thirds of a year of constant service. That at that time there were but 3 Communicants, and also that the community were generally totally ignorant of the doctrines of the Church, it would seem to the writer that there is cause of encouragement rather than discouragement. With the help of God, all that is necessary to the permanent establishment of the Church, is a sanctuary for the congregation to worship in, and this I have no doubt will be provided in the course of the next season, if the efforts of the parish are seconded by their friends abroad.

The congregation is respectable for numbers, and among the regular attendants on divine service, there is manifestly an increasing attachment to the principles of the Church. Thus far, through the divine blessing, the parish has steadily advanced, and has succeeded beyond the expectations of its most sanguine friends. Its influence is already felt on the surrounding community, and I trust it may become much more so, in the encouragement and promotion of truth and every Christian virtue.

From the Report of the Rev. ISAAC SHERWOOD, Missionary at Cold Spring Harbor and Huntington, Suffolk county.

At Cold Spring, Divine Service continues to be well attended, accompanied with a reverent and increasing attachment for the truths of the everlasting Gospel, as they are set forth and explained in the hallowed offices of the Church. We indulge the hope that much good has also been done by Sunday School instruction, and by the distribution of Prayer books and tracts.

At the festival of Easter, an elegant set of Communion-vessels were presented to this church by the Ladies of the congregation, aided by the respected and liberal family of the late Miles R. Burke, Esq. of the city of New York.

Baptisms (adults 3, children 5) 8; Marriages 7; Funerals 11.

Collections :—

Missionary,	-	-	-	-	\$5 00
Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	3 00
Education,	-	-	-	-	3 00
Prayer-book Society,	-	-	-	-	2 50

Whole number of Communicants including the recently re-formed parish at Huntington, about 20.

At Huntington the church, after a long period of desolation, has revived. A few zealous and liberal members of our Communion, lately removed to this place, have re-organized the parish according to law, and have at much expense repaired the antique church edifice which was almost in a state of ruin. In these pious labors the Ladies of the congregation have sustained a part with untiring constancy and devotion. Since the beginning of April last, Divine Service has been celebrated in this parish every Sunday afternoon, at which times large and respectable congregations have been in attendance.

Baptism (adult) 1.

From the Report of the Rev. LUCIUS SMITH, Missionary at Fredonia, Chautauque county.

Since my last report, I have continued to officiate at Fredonia, Forrestville and La Grange. These services have been well attended, and I am satisfied there is a steady, but increasing attachment to the doctrines, discipline and worship, of our venerable Church. Still we suffer very much at Forrestville and La Grange, for the want of churches, in which to assemble for the public worship of God. We hope the goodness of God will yet remove this obstacle, and that the time may come when Temples erected and consecrated to His Service, may adorn both these places.

Collections :—

For Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$10 00
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Baptisms (infants 5, adults 3) 8; Funerals 4; Marriages 2; Communicants (added 3) 36.

From the Report of the Rev. ORSAMUS H. SMITH, Missionary at Rensselaerville, Albany county.

Having held the Rectorship of Zion Church, Butternuts, six months subsequent to the last annual Convention, it is deemed proper that my report should embrace the services rendered in that congregation. They are, Baptisms (infants 5, adult 1) 6; Marriages 2; Funerals 6; and all the Missionary operations of the parish carried on to the period of my resignation. This occurred on Easter Monday. From that time to the 1st of July, when I took charge of my present Missionary station, I preached several Sundays at Cooperstown, for the Rev. Mr. Tiffany, who was ill, and in other places in the vicinity of my residence, as opportunity was offered.

Since the 1st of July, the Services of the Church have been sustained regularly on Sundays, in Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, and frequent week day lectures have been given. Already, if I mistake not, the beneficial effects of having the church supplied on Sundays begin to appear, in increased congregations. They are not yet very numerously attended, but I flatter myself, that they contain a goodly proportion of those, who have a zealous, enlightened and growing attachment to the Church. There seems to be a perfect cheerfulness, on the part of this people, to contribute as far as they are able, to the benevolent institutions of the Church. For a view of collections, and other statistics of the parish, reference is made to the report of the Rev. Mr. Fuller.

From the Report of the Rev. RICHARD SMITH, late Missionary at Elmira, Chemung county, and now Missionary at Hector, Tompkins county, and Johnson's Settlement, Chemung county.

Report for half a year at Elmira.

Your Missionary feels grateful at the close of another year, to bear testimony to the improving state of our Zion in this neighborhood. Since my last report, the church has much improved and still continues. I am happy to say in May last, the time to re-let the pews, such was the feeling of the inhabitants towards our church, that they were again nearly all taken up, and families who before had not a pew, now are in possession. My labors closed at the end of April, and I am happy to say I left the church in a state of prosperity and peace, and I have been much gratified since, in accompanying our Bishop to this place in August last, to witness many with whom I had labored, come forward to be baptized and confirmed.

I have continued to labor occasionally at Johnson's Settlement, Big Flats, &c. My labors have been 62 services at Elmira; 10 Johnson's Settlement; 2 Big Flats, and 1 at Factoryville. Solemnized 7 Marriages; 3 Funerals; Baptized 1 adult, 22 children; 17 Communicants; 30 to 40 Sunday scholars, 7 teachers.

Report of Johnson's Settlement, and Hector.

In May last I took charge of the above places, and I am happy to say that at Johnson's Settlement, the church is in an improving state. The congregation much increased and persons are adding to our Communion. The prospects in this place are encouraging. We have commenced a Sunday school with favorable openings, and a Bible class. There are about 25 Communicants; 30 Sunday scholars, and 6 teachers.

In Hector, the church appears stationary, only 2 families being decided Episcopalians, and much prejudice against us. Here we must plough and sow in hope, and exercise faith, and patience, for the gathering of the harvest. 13 Communicants. I have attended 21 services at Hector; 17 at Johnson's Settlement; 2 at Seneca Falls; 2 at South Danby; 2 at Big Stream, and 1 at Ithaca. Baptized 3 children.

From the report of the Rev. ERASTUS SPALDING, Missionary at Vienna, Ontario county, and Sodus, Wayne county.

Since my last report, your Missionary has continued to officiate as heretofore, alternately at Sodus and Vienna, performing three services and preaching three sermons on each Lord's day. At Sodus, the Church by the blessing of God, has enjoyed the past year a degree of prosperity which I have never witnessed there before. Our congregation has increased, we have had several accessions to our communion, and there appears to have existed in the minds of the congregation generally, a very considerable degree of religious interest. A Sunday school, numbering twenty-five or thirty scholars, has been the season past, and still is in operation.

Baptisms, (adults 2, infants 10,) 12; marriage 1; funerals 2. Communicants, (added 12, removed 2,) 43.

Collections:—

Diocesan Fund,	- - - - -	\$5 25
Missionary Society,	- - - - -	15 56

At Vienna, your Missionary regrets to say that we have not been so richly blest. We still labor under great disabilities in this place for the want of a church. We continue however to live in hopes of having one ere long, and I am assured that the present fall an effort will be made to accomplish this desirable object. Our congregation here remains much the same. Indeed I encourage myself to think that it gradually increases. Could we be once so favored as to have a church, conveniently located, (humanly speaking,) I see nothing in the way to a permanent establishment and increase of the Church. Indeed I am constantly receiving assurances from those not its enemies, nor yet its particular friends, that the Episcopal congregation here would, under such circumstances, be as large, if not larger, than that of any other in this place.

Baptisms 0; marriages 3; funerals 4. Communicants, (added 2, removed 1,) 11.

Collection:—

Diocesan Missions,	- - - - -	\$1 65
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At Pultneyville I have attended one funeral and baptized one infant.

From the report of the Rev. CYRUS STEBBINS, D. D., Missionary at Waterford, Saratoga county, and Cohoes, Albany county.

Grace Church, Waterford.—Marriages 7; baptisms (adult 1, infants 4) 5; Communicants (added 3, removed 1,) 39; funerals 5.

Collections have been made for the Education and Missionary Society, for the Missionary branch exclusively.

Missionary Society,	- - - - -	\$20 00
Diocesan Fund,	- - - - -	4 06

St. John's Church, Cohoes.—Collections have been made at St. John's Church, Cohoes, but I am not in possession either of the money or amount.

Divine service has been performed in St. John's Church once every Sunday; to accomplish which, three services have been performed every Sunday, communion days excepted; Waterford claiming two-thirds of this service. The depression of the times has greatly retarded the advance of Cohoes Village. Our congregation has, however, held its own, perhaps advanced in numbers a little. Our loss by removals has been great, in proportion to the number of communicants.

Baptisms (by the Bishop 2 adults, by myself 3 children) 5; Communicants (added 1, removals 5,) 10; Funerals 3.

From the report of the Rev. WILLIAM TATHAM, late Missionary at Canton, St. Lawrence county.

I have usually officiated here morning and afternoon every Sunday; have visited Potsdam several times, preached there and administered the Lord's Supper, and the rite of baptism to one infant, and also preached once in the evening at the Rapids.

Besides attending the Sunday School on the morning of almost every Sunday, I have conducted a Bible class, which I have found to be a valuable auxiliary to the preaching of God's Word.

The Sunday School, up to August 5th, was in a flourishing condition. It consisted of about 40 scholars, 2 superintendents, 3 male teachers and 6 female teachers. Here I would beg to acknowledge, on behalf of the Church,

the valuable present of ten dollars worth of books to the Sunday School Library, from Miss C. Harrison, of New York.

As soon as a fair opportunity presented itself, I set in active operation the offerings of the Church. There have been six monthly collections, which amount to \$20 23. It is distributed as under:—

Episcopal Fund,	- \$2 00
Diocesan, do.	- 1 40
Bible and Com. Prayer Book Soc.	- 3 75
Diocesan Missions,	- 7 34
Domestic do.	- 1 00
Foreign, do.	- 2 88
Sunday School Library,	- 1 86
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	1 86

Amount forwarded to Floyd Smith, Esq. - \$18 37

Baptism (infant) 1, at Potsdam. Confirmed 1; funeral 1; communicants (left 2) 17.

From the report of the Rev. LEWIS THIBOU, Jun. Missionary at Angelica, Allegany county.

This parish was without the regular services of a clergyman, for two years previous to last May. Consequently its spiritual interests have suffered, and its temporal affairs have become in some degree deranged. These evils we trust will be but temporary. The numerical and pecuniary strength of the congregation, has rather increased than diminished.

During the summer there have been usually two services in the church, and one in some school house in the vicinity on Sunday. On Wednesday evening there has been a lecture, connected with the exercises of a Bible class. It is doubtful whether the three services on Sunday can be held during the winter.

The Sunday School has about six teachers, and thirty scholars. Since the 23d of May last, there have been, baptisms (all of infants,) 4; funeral 1. The number of communicants (much loss having been sustained by removals,) is about 50. Number of families about 45.

From the Report of the Rev. JAMES THOMPSON, Missionary at Oakhill, Greene county.

I would inform you that this last year I have not been able to perform my usual Missionary services at Oakhill and Greenville, which is the first failure since I have been in the Ministry, in consequence of ill health. The first of last November I was confined to my bed by sickness five weeks and unable to preach till the first of January. I then officiated at Oakhill every Sunday till the ground was settled and warm weather. I then renewed my services at Greenville, and have continued them to this time. The congregation at Oakhill and Greenville, remain about the same; some have come in, others removed. The rail road from Catskill, through the village of Oakhill, will be done this autumn, which will have a tendency to increase the inhabitants of the village, and the church in time.

The Vestry of St. Paul's Church, Oakhill, have agreed with the Rev. Mr. Scovill to preach as an Assistant Minister, with me, one half of the time. The Vestry of Christ Church, Greenville, have agreed to have him preach for them the other part of the time, till the connection is mutually dissolved. I am in hopes this will revive the two parishes with a Divine blessing. I give the Rev. Mr. Scovill \$75 of my Missionary stipend towards his salary, and I receive nothing for my services from the congregation. My time is now short. I wish to do all for the glory of God, and the good of His Church. I must preach the Gospel to sinners as long as I have health and strength.

I have Baptized 2 children, and attended 3 Funerals ; married 1 couple ; 2 have been Confirmed, and 1 added to the Communion in each parish.

Collections will be made and forwarded to the Education and Missionary Society, from both parishes.

St. Paul's Church, Oakhill.—Communicants 16 ; Marriage 1 ; Baptisms (children) 2 ; Funerals 3 ; Confirmed 1.

Christ Church, Greenville.—Communicants 19 ; Confirmed 1.

From the Report of the Rev. THOMAS TOWELL, Missionary at Little Falls and Mohawk, Herkimer county.

Your Missionary was ordained in St. Bartholomew's Church, New-York, on the 1st day of December, 1838.

Immediately after his ordination, he returned to the city of Utica, where he had charge of the Academy. He continued to perform occasional services for his very dear friend and brother, Rev. P. A. Proal, both in Trinity Church, and West Utica, until the 14th of January. At which time he accepted an invitation to visit Little Falls, until they might be supplied with a resident Minister. He continued his visits here ; preaching in the forenoon of every Lord's day, and returning by the rail-road to preach in the evening at West Utica.

Having experienced much hospitality and kindness from the inhabitants of Little Falls, and having had reason to suppose that through the Divine blessing, his labors might be profitable, he accepted an unanimous call ; and accordingly gave up his engagement in Utica, removed his family, and entered fully on his duties as Missionary, on the 8th of May.

The congregation was small, averaging about 70. But we must not " despise the day of small things." Trusting to the Divine Head of the Church, who alone by his spirit can bring home the word of truth with power to the hearts of the people, and lead them to reflect on the error of their ways, your Missionary continued to preach the Gospel faithfully, he trusts, and in its simplicity. A blessing has attended his labors, the congregation continues to increase. The average number of attendants at present is from 170 to 200.

Your Missionary has also visited Mohawk and Herkimer, on the first Sunday of every month. In the former place, the prospects are not very cheering ; the congregation being generally small, and the hearers not very attentive. In the latter place, the number of attendants is very respectable, and a great desire manifested, to establish an Episcopal Church. In order to effect this, such of the inhabitants as are more intimately connected with our church, have proposed, to purchase a building formerly occupied by the Methodist denomination. Your Missionary entertains the most sanguine hopes of establishing a flourishing church in this place.

Three collections have been made in Emmanuel Church, Little Falls :—

For the Bible and Prayer-book Society,	\$3 00
Tract Society,	2 60
Disposable Diocesan Missionary Fund,	12 50
Donation from a friend to the same,	2 00

\$20 10

In Emmanuel Church, Little Falls, Baptisms (infants 16, adults 8) 24 ; Confirmed (by the Bishop) 13 ; Marriages 2 ; Communicants (added 12, removed 2) 24.

From the Report of the Rev. AMOS C. TREADWAY, Missionary at Sacket's Harbor, Jefferson county.

Christ Church, Sacket's Harbor.—Baptisms (adults 8, infants 18) 26 ; Con-

firmed 9; Marriages 2; Funerals 3; Communicants (died 2, removed 4, erased from the list, for dissenting and disorganizing practices 1, added 19) 41.

Collections :—

Diocesan Fund,	\$2 00
Diocesan Missions,	7 00

This parish has shared largely, for the two past years, in spiritual blessings. Perhaps no church in the Diocese, of its numbers, has more severely suffered by the removal of its members, and the desolations of Death among its most valued ones, within the last 5 or 6 years, than this. We have truly been "smitten and afflicted," but the merciful Lord hath more than made up our losses by the spiritual consolations he has afforded.

From the Report of the Rev. HENRY TULLIDGE, Missionary at Seneca Falls, Seneca county, and Montezuma, Cayuga county.

Trinity Church, Seneca Falls.—Communicants (died 1, removed 4, added 6) 31; Funerals (infants 5, adults 3) 8; Marriages 4; Baptisms (infants 5, adult 1) 6.

Church Offerings :—

For the Diocesan Missionary Society,	\$3 00
Education branch,	2 00
General Theological Seminary,	5 00
Sunday School Society,	2 00
Diocesan Fund,	5 25

\$17 25

Since my last report there has been little to encourage your Missionary with the hope of soon seeing the church in Seneca Falls, in as prosperous a condition as could be wished. The ravages of death, and the removal of some of its most valuable friends and supporters, have appeared to cast a gloom over its temporal prospects : but it is hoped that this depression is but for a season, and that temporal difficulties will be amply compensated by spiritual blessings. In a spiritual view it is humbly believed that the condition of the church was never more encouraging. There is a more numerous and regular attendance at church than ever before, and the attention which is paid to the preaching of the word, is highly gratifying. From the straitened circumstances of the parish, it has been impossible to contribute as much as could be wished, to the benevolent societies of the Church. We can but gladly "do our diligence to give of our little." For the last year I have continued to officiate regularly on Sundays, and also on the Holy days of the Church. I have also instructed a Bible class during a considerable portion of the year. The prospects of the Sunday School are now more encouraging than they have been, though there is much want of well qualified teachers.

Since the beginning of last May, I have preached twice every third Sunday at Montezuma, in Cayuga county. This village is about ten miles from Seneca Falls, and from its being at the junction of the Erie and Seneca canals, and from its Salt works, is a place of some importance. The number of Episcopalians here is very small, but the ground is yet unoccupied, (or but very partially occupied,) by any other denomination. I think there is a decided partiality felt for the Church, by the more intelligent and respectable portion of the inhabitants, though they have hitherto been unacquainted with its peculiar characteristics. I officiate at present in the school house, as there is no church edifice of any kind in the village. A few of the more able have promised to contribute \$700 towards building an Episcopal Church, and I hope that in the course of another year a small building will be erected, which will answer our purpose for the present.

From the Report of the Rev. NATHANIEL WATKINS, Missionary at Pierrepont Manor, Jefferson county.

I am most happy to inform you, that this parish, has greatly improved the past year both in numbers, piety, and finances. The congregations for the year past, have been larger than at any former period; and the solemn, audible, and impressive manner in which the whole congregation join in the responses in the service, is truly delightful. In addition to the regular service, your Missionary performed two services a week during the season of Lent, and read Prayers every morning in Passion Week; the fruits of which was soon manifest in the influences of the Holy Spirit, attending the ministry of the Word, and in the accession of many families of the first respectability, to the Communion.

A Rectory has been provided for the Minister the past year, at a great sacrifice of labor and expense, and I can assure you it is all that any Godly man can wish or desire; neat, spacious, advantageous and healthful. It is in no respect inferior to any former act of the donor.

The statistics of the parish are as follows:—

Baptisms (adults 10, infants 13) 23; Communicants (added 19) 32; Funerals 2; Marriages 2; Sunday School teachers 7, scholars 50; average attendants 34.

Collections:—

Education and Missionary Fund,	\$30 00
Episcopal Fund,	1 00
Diocesan do.	1 00
Tract Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church,	12 00
Bible and Prayer-Book Society,	15 00
Sunday School Union,	12 00
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	\$71 00

From the Report of the Rev. MARSHALL WHITING, Missionary at Onondaga Hill and Geddes, Onondaga county.

During the past year, I have divided my services between Onondaga Hill and Geddes, preaching in the forenoon at the former and in the afternoon at the latter place. I have taught a Bible class at the Hill, of from 10 to 20 or 25 members, during nearly six months of the past year, and another at the Hollow, of about the same number of members. The stated meetings of the former have been suspended during the warm season, but those of the latter are still continued.

I have also taught a Bible class at Geddes for four or five months past. The number of members attending this has been from 8 to 12 or 15. The Sunday School at the Hill, has been kept open since my last report. About 40 scholars have attended, and from 5 to 8 teachers. Besides the stated services on Sundays, and some others appointed by the church, I held, at the Hill during most of the season of Lent, a weekly evening service. In addition to the above, I have preached eight or nine times in other parishes, the greater number in that at Jamesville.

Zion Church, Onondaga Hill.—Marriages 7; Baptisms (infants) 5; Funerals 6; Communicants (added 3, removed 1) 36.

Collections:—

Missionary Fund,	\$11 00
Education Fund,	4 00
Diocesan Fund,	2 25
Foreign Missions,	4 89
For the same, contributed by several ladies of the congrega.	9 11
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	\$31 25

Apostolic Church, Geddes. — Funerals 2; Communicants (removed 3, added 1) 12.

Collections :—

Missionary Fund,	- - - - -	\$1 85
Education Fund,	- - - - -	1 00
Diocesan Fund,	- - - - -	0 68

* From the Report of the Rev. GORDON WINSLOW, Missionary at Elmira, Chemung county.

Baptisms (adults 7, infants 21,) 28; Communicants (added 20) 36, Confirmed 15.

Collections :—

Missionary,	- - - - -	\$25 00
Sunday School,	- - - - -	21 00
Miscellaneous,	- - - - -	16 00
Church Bell,	- - - - -	350 00
Repairing the tower for Bell,	- - - - -	150 00
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		\$562 00

Much praise is due to the members of this infant parish, for the zeal and energy with which, under the blessing of Providence, they have provided in the erection of a neat and commodious Church edifice, and for their very generous efforts to relieve the parish from all financial embarrassment. A small debt only remains upon them, and it is their determination, with ordinary prosperity during the ensuing year, to support thereafter a Rector, independent of missionary aid.

[The following Reports are Printed out of their proper place, having been accidentally mislaid.]

Calvary Church, Cairo, Greene county; A vacant parish, reported by one of the Wardens.

This Church has been vacant since about the 1st of April last, at which time the Rev. H. H. Prout was obliged to resign his charge in consequence of ill health; since which time the Rev. Joseph F. Philips of St. Luke's Church Catskill, has kindly visited and preached for us three times, and baptized two adults and one infant. The Sunday school has been continued and the Church opened for lay services once on each Sunday, which has been better attended than was anticipated, and when we have had the services of a clergyman our Congregation has been unusually large. In consequence of having had no stated clerical services, there has been no public collection made in the church; a few individuals, together with the Ladies' sewing society, have contributed for the objects, stated below, eight Dollars. We have at present strong hopes of securing the services of Rev. J. F. Philips for a part of the time.

Communicants 8. There will probably be several additions when an opportunity shall present.

Baptisms, (adults 1, infants 1,) 3; Confirmed 3; Sunday scholars about 30, usual attendance 20.

Contributions:

For Diocesan Education and Missionary Society,	- - - - -	\$5 00
" General Theological Seminary,	- - - - -	1 00
" Domestic board of Missions,	- - - - -	1 00
" Foreign do. do.	- - - - -	1 00

St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga county; the REV. WILLIAM LUCAS, RECTOR.

Baptisms (1 adult, 8 infants,) 9; Marriages 11; Funerals 11; Communicants (added 13, died 1, removed 14) 125.

Sunday scholars 87. The children are catechised openly in the church once a month by the Rector, who also usually opens the school with proper devotions, and gives his attendance every Sunday as far as is deemed requisite. A Bible class is also met by him on Wednesday evenings, for familiar religious instruction to the Sunday school Teachers, and others. The state of the parish is still highly encouraging.

Contributions,

General Missionary Society,	-	-	\$25 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	10 50
Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	5 50

St. Luke's Church, Monticello, Otsego county; the REV. ROBERT CAMPBELL, RECTOR.

Since my last Annual report, I Baptized four infants; Married six couple; Attended six Funerals; One Communicant added, and one removed. Besides the usual services in St. Luke's Church, on the Evenings of Sunday, at 5 o'clock, preached in Bridgewater, and at the Springs, Richfield. Officiated two Sundays for Mr. Timony, Cooperstown, and once in Zion Church, Louisville.

The Bishop has also received reports—according to the Canon, from the following clergymen of the Diocese, not having parochial or missionary charge in the Diocese:—

The Rev. Alva Bennett, Teacher in the Episcopal Institute, Troy.

The Rev. David Butler, D. D., residing in Troy.

The Rev. Tapping R. Chipman, Deacon, residing at Brockport, Monroe county.

The Rev. John D. Gilbert, residing at Troy.

The Rev. Benjamin Hale, D. D., President of Geneva College, Geneva, Ontario county.

The Rev. Samuel Haskell, residing in New Rochelle, Westchester county.

The Rev. John B. Kerfoot, Deacon, Chaplain, and assisting the Professor of the Greek and Latin Languages, in St. Paul's College, College Point, Queens county.

The Rev. John M'Vickar, D. D., Professor of Moral and Intellectual Philosophy and Political Economy, in Columbia College, New-York.

The Rev. Moses Marcus, Missionary of the Board of Missions to Nantucket, Massachusetts.

The Rev. Amos Pardee, residing at Caldwell, Warren county.

The Rev. Hewlett R. Peters.

The Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., Professor of Moral Philosophy and Belles Lettres, in Union College, Schenectady.

The Rev. Thomas C. Reed, Professor of Political Economy in Union College, Schenectady.

The Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D., Editor of the Gospel Messenger, Utica.

The Rev. Gilbert H. Sayres, residing in Jamaica, Queens county.

The Rev. William Staunton, Special Agent, of the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday school Union, New-York.

The Rev. James O. Stokes, residing near Medina, Orleans county.

The Rev. Isaac Swart, Deacon, temporarily assisting the Rector of Christ Church, Cooperstown, Otsego county.

The Rev. John A. Vaughan, Secretary and General Agent of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions, New-York.

The Rev. Gershom P. Waldo, Deacon.

The Rev. William Walton, Deacon, temporarily assisting the Rector of St. John's Church, Yonkers, Westchester county.

The Rev. William R. Whittingham, D. D., St. Mark's Church, in the Bowery, Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.

APPENDIX.

NO. II.

THE SECOND EVENING PRAYER,

Appointed agreeably to the Canons, to be used in any congregation of this Diocese in which the order for Daily Evening Prayer has been previously used on the same day, is as follows :

The order for Daily Evening Prayer is followed to the end of the Psalms for the day, or selection of Psalms, and Doxology ; and then the following order :—

A Lesson from the Old or New Testament, at the discretion of the Minister.

Either of the four Psalms appointed to follow the Lessons at Evening Prayer.

The Creed and the following *Versicles and Responses*.

The Collect for the Day.

The Collect for aid against Perils.

The Prayer for the whole State of CHRIST'S Church Militant in the Communion Service.

Any of the *Occasional Prayers or Thanksgivings* as occasion may require.

One of the *Discretionary Prayers at the end of the Communion Service.*

2 Corinthians, xiii. 14.

As I have reason to fear that misapprehension exists as to the special purpose for which the above service was set forth by the first Bishop of this Diocese, and has been continued under the authority of each suc-

ceeding Bishop, I beg leave to remind my Rev. Brethren of the Diocese that it is not a Candle-light or Evening Lecture Service ; but a service for any hour, before or after dark, of a day on which the Daily Evening Prayer, set forth in the Prayer Book, has already been celebrated in the same congregation. It is not a substitute for the said Daily Evening Prayer, which there is no authority for providing ; but an addition to it, where it has already been performed, and there is occasion for another service, beyond the ordinary provisions of the Liturgy, and thus, in the language of the Canon, an *extraordinary occasion*. It is therefore altogether irregular, and contrary to the obligation of every clergyman to conform to the worship of the Church, to use the above form in any congregation in which the Order for Daily Evening Prayer has not been celebrated on the same day.

BENJ. T. ONDERDONK.

Bishop of the Diocese of New York.

APPENDIX.

NO. III.

PROCEEDINGS

NECESSARY TO THE ORGANIZATION OF NEW CHURCHES.

Reported by a Committee of the Convention in 1827.

By the Act to provide for the Incorporation of Religious Societies, passed 5th April, 1813, and the Act amending the same passed 5th March, 1819, it is competent for the male persons of full age, belonging to any church, congregation, or religious society, to incorporate themselves, although such persons may not have belonged to the church, congregation, or society, for the last twelve months; in which last respect the latter Act is an amendment of the former,

The first step to be taken in order to an incorporation, is to give notice at morning service, on the two Sundays previous to the time which may be appointed for the election of Churchwardens and Vestrymen, of the intended election; which notice is to be given by the Rector, or if there be none, by any other person belonging to the congregation.

The congregation having met at the time and place appointed, the Rector, or if there be none, or he be necessarily absent, then such other person as may be called to the chair, shall preside at this first election; and two other persons should be nominated, to certify, with him, the proceedings of the meeting.

The meeting is then, by a majority of voices, to elect two Churchwardens and eight Vestrymen, and to determine on what day in Easter-week the functions of the persons then elected shall cease, and their successors shall be afterwards annually chosen; together with the corporate name or title by which the church is to be known.

A certificate is then to be signed, under the hand and seal of the Rector, or other person who shall preside at the election, and of two other persons nominated for that purpose, stating the names of the persons elected to the offices of Churchwardens and Vestrymen, and also the day in Easter-week appointed for the annual elections, and the corporate name or title of the church.

This certificate is to be acknowledged by the persons signing it, or proved by one or more of the subscribing witnesses, before the Chancellor, or one of the Judges of the Supreme Court, or

one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the county where the church or congregation is established. It is then to be recorded in the County Clerk's office, in a book to be by him provided for the purpose.

It may be proper to add, that the qualifications to vote for Churchwardens and Vestrymen, required by the first section of the Act of 1813, will be requisite at all annual elections after the first; that is, at such subsequent elections the voters must have belonged to the congregation for the preceding twelve months, and must have been baptized in the Protestant Episcopal Church, or must have been received therein by the rite of Confirmation, or by receiving the holy Communion, or by purchasing or hiring a pew or seat in the church, or by some joint act of the parties and of the Rector, whereby they shall have attached themselves to the Protestant Episcopal Church.

A form of the certificate of incorporation, and of the proof of its execution, is hereunto subjoined.

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY CONCERN: *We whose names and seals are hereunto affixed do certify, that in pursuance of notice duly given, according to law, for that purpose, at the time of Divine service, on the two Sunday mornings now last past, the male persons of full age belonging to the Church, Congregation, or Society, commonly called _____ Church, in the _____ of* _____; in which Church, Congregation, or Society, Divine Service is celebrated according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York; met at their place of worship in _____, for the purpose of incorporating themselves under the Act entitled "An Act to Provide for the Incorporation of Religious Societies," and the Act to amend the same. At which meeting, and by a majority of voices, the undersigned _____ being Rector of the said Church,† was called to the chair and presided, and the undersigned _____ were nominated to certify the proceedings of said meeting, in conjunction with said Rector,‡ and by a majority of voices, _____ were elected Churchwardens, _____ were elected Vestrymen, of said Church; and _____, in the week called Easter-week, was, in like manner, fixed on as the day on which the said offices of Churchwardens and Vestrymen shall annually there-*

* Instead of the words "commonly called," &c., may be inserted the words *worshipping in*, [here name the town, village, street, building, or other particular designation.]

† The words "being Rector of the said Church," are to be omitted when the Rector does not preside at the meeting, and in place of them the name of the Chairman is to be inserted.

‡ When the Rector does not preside at the meeting, here omit the word "Rector," and insert the name of the Chairman.

after cease, and their successors in office be chosen ; and the name or title of " The Rector, Churchwardens, and Vestrymen of Church, in the of , " was in like manner fixed on and agreed to, as that by which the said Church, Congregation, or Society, shall be known in law. In testimony whereof, we, the said , together with the undersigned have hereunto subscribed our names, and affixed our seals, this day of , in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and

Signed and sealed in the presence of

On the day of , in the year of our Lord , before me of the Court of Common Pleas for the and county of , personally appeared one of the subscribing witnesses to the above instrument, who being duly sworn, did depose and say, that he was present and saw whose names and seals are affixed to the foregoing certificate, sign and seal the same ; and that the deponent, together with did, in their presence, and at their request, subscribe the same as witnesses.

APPENDIX.

NO. IV.

DIRECTIONS

For persons desirous to become Candidates for Holy Orders, and for those desiring Ordination as Deacons and Priests.

DIRECTIONS FOR THOSE WISHING TO BECOME CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Can. IX.—Sec. 1. A person wishing to become a candidate for Holy Orders must, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the ecclesiastical authority, or to the President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

Sec. 2. He is then to apply to the Standing Committee for their recommendation of him to the Bishop, to be admitted as a candidate for Orders. To enable the Committee to act, he must lay before them,—I. Evidence of his having made his intention known to the Bishop. II. A certificate to the following effect, unless the Standing Committee can certify the same facts of their own knowledge :—

*“ To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New-York.
(Date.)*

“ We, the subscribers, from a satisfactory knowledge of the character of A. B., do hereby testify our belief that he is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and a communicant of the same; and in our opinion, possesses such qualifications as will render him apt and meet to exercise the ministry to the glory of God and edifying of the Church.”

✍ The above certificate should be signed by one presbyter, and at least four respectable laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of the above should have a personal acquaintance with the applicant; but they may act upon such knowledge of his character from other sources as is satisfactory to them.

III. (Sec. 3.) A satisfactory diploma; or a certificate from the instructor or instructors of some approved literary institution, which certificate must state what have been his studies, and the

extent of his improvement in them; or a certificate from two presbyters, appointed by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to examine him of his possessing such academical learning as may enable him to enter advantageously on a course of Theology.—Or, (*Sec. 4.*) when the person applying to be admitted a candidate, wishes the knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, he must, instead of the above-mentioned diploma or certificate, lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial, signed by at least two presbyters of the Church, stating, that in their opinion he possesses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence; with proper evidence that the Bishop, with the consent of a majority of the clerical members of the Standing Committee, has granted such dispensation. The Canons provide that this dispensation shall not be granted to any person under 27 years of age, and that no person shall be ordained under such a dispensation until he shall have attained 30 years of age; but as to the Hebrew language, the power of dispensation rests with the Bishop alone, without reference to the age of the candidate. The Standing Committee may then sign a testimonial in behalf of the candidate, which he must produce to the Bishop, who (*Sec. 6.*) may thereon admit him as a candidate for Orders: in which station he must remain three years before his ordination, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the clerical members of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain him after the expiration of a shorter period, not less than one year.*

DIRECTIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS WISHING TO
BE ORDAINED DEACONS.

Canon XV.—(Sec. 2.) A candidate for Holy Orders wishing

* The Canons contain also the following provisions, which, however, have no relation to the testimonials. (*Sec. 5.*) With this enumeration of qualifications, it ought to be made known to the candidate, that the Church expects of him—what can never be brought to the test of any outward standard—an inward fear and worship of ALMIGHTY GOD: a love of religion, and sensibility to its holy influence: a habit of devout affection: and in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in Scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone His sacred influence can be manifested.

(*Sec. 9.*) If a candidate shall not, within three years after his admission, apply for his first and second examinations, or within five years for his third and fourth examinations, he shall in either case cease to be a candidate.

(*Sec. 10.*) Any person desirous to become a candidate for Holy Orders, must apply to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he resides, unless they shall consent that the application be made in some other Diocese.

Candidates are not to change their canonical residence but for bone fide causes requiring the same, and to be judged of by the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority.

to be ordained a Deacon, must lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial in the following words :—

“ To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New-York.

“ We, whose names are hereunder written, do testify from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this — day of —, in the year of our LORD —.”

The above certificate is to be subscribed by the minister and vestry of the parish where the candidate resides, or by the vestry alone if the parish be vacant, (of which circumstance the Committee must be duly certified,) and must contain the names of at least a majority of all the wardens and vestrymen. The respective titles of the minister, wardens and vestrymen must be attached to their signatures. If there be no vestry where the candidate resides, the circumstance must be certified to the Committee, and then the testimonial must be signed by at least twelve respectable persons of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of this testimonial should be personally acquainted with the candidate; they may act upon a satisfactory knowledge of his character from any other source.

The candidate must also lay before the Standing Committee a certificate in the following words :—

“ To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New-York.

“ I do hereby testify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons. This testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A. B., for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, this — day of —, in the year of our LORD—.”

The above testimonial must be signed by at least one respectable presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. The Standing Committee may then sign the canonical recommendation to the Bishop for Orders; which the candidate is to exhibit to the Bishop.

DIRECTIONS FOR DEACONS WISHING TO BE ORDERED PRIESTS.

A Deacon wishing to be ordered a Priest, must lay before the Standing Committee the same testimonials, subscribed in the same way, as those required of him on his application for ordination as a Deacon; except, (*Sec. 5.*) that they may be so altered as to extend to such portion only of the three years preceding his application for Priest's Orders as has elapsed since his ordination as Deacon; and except, also, that if he be the minister of the parish, the testimonial of piety, good morals, and orderly conduct, shall be signed by the vestry alone. The Standing Committee may then give him the canonical recommendation for Orders, which he is to exhibit to the Bishop.

No person shall be ordained Priest, unless he shall produce to the Bishop a satisfactory certificate, from some church, parish, or congregation, that he is engaged with them, and that they will receive him as their minister; or unless he be a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he belongs; or in the employment of some missionary society recognized by the General Convention; or unless he be engaged as a professor, tutor, or instructor of youth, in some college, academy, or other seminary of learning duly incorporated.*

Candidates for ordination as Priests or Deacons, are referred to the following further provisions:—

Canon XV.—(Sec. 3.) If the candidate, from peculiar circumstances, not affecting his pious or moral character, shall be unable to procure testimonials from the ministry and vestry of the parish where he resides, testimonials to the effect required may be received from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and from at least one respectable presbyter who has been personally acquainted with the candidate for at least one year.

(*Sec. 4.*) A candidate recommended by the Standing Committee of any church destitute of a Bishop, if he shall have resided for the greater part of the last three years within the Diocese of a Bishop, shall apply to such Bishop for ordination, and shall produce the usual testimonials, as well from the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he has resided, as from the Committee of the Church in the Diocese for which he is to be ordained.

* For the case of one who has officiated as a minister of another denomination, see Canon III. of the General Convention of 1835.

APPENDIX.

No. V.

RULES OF ORDER.

I. At the opening of each Annual Convention, when the President shall have taken the chair, the Secretary shall call over the names of the clergy entitled to seats. The Lay Delegates shall then place their certificates on the Secretary's table; and whenever a constitutional quorum shall be found present, the President shall declare the Convention duly organized.

II. The first business shall be

The election of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an Assistant Secretary.

The appointment of four Standing Committees by the President—

1. On the Incorporation of Churches, one Clergyman and two Laymen.

2. On the Diocesan Fund, two Clergymen and two Laymen, with the Treasurer.

3. On the Treasurer's Report, three Laymen.

4. On the Theological Seminary, two Clergymen and three Laymen.

III. The daily order of proceedings, after the first day, shall be—

1. The Daily Morning Prayer.

2. Reading and approval of the Minutes.

3. Calling the names of absent members.

4. Reports to be called for in the following order:

Committee on Incorporation of Churches.

“ “ Diocesan Fund.

“ “ Treasurer's Report.

“ “ General Theological Seminary.

Trustees of Episcopal Fund.

Special Committees.

New-York City Mission Society.

New-York Education and Missionary Society.

5. Miscellaneous Business.

IV. The Bishop's Address shall be at any time in order.

V. When the report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read, and entered on the minutes, unless otherwise determined by the house. If accompanied with resolutions, the resolutions shall be separately considered.

VI. When a question is before the house, it shall be in order to postpone, divide, amend, or commit; and a motion for any one of these proceedings may be considered, precedence being taken in the order named.

VII. The votes by order, when called, shall be entered on the minutes; and they may be called, whenever desired by five members.

VIII. Before the rising of the Convention, the minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read and approved.

IX. The election of the Standing Committee and the Delegates to the General Convention, shall be the first business after the approval of the minutes, on the second day of meeting. Suitable boxes for balloting shall be provided by the Secretary.

X. On all questions of order, the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the house.

XI. The hours of each day's session shall be from 9, A. M., until 3, P. M.

XII. No member may speak more than twice on the same question, without leave of the house.

XIII. A question being decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

XIV. The question of adjournment shall always be in order, and shall be put without debate.

XV. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the Chair.

XVI. Clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention, clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and Professors and Students of Theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

CONSTITUTION
OF THE
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Adopted in General Convention, in Philadelphia, October, 1789.

ARTICLE I.

There shall be a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, at such time in every third year, and in such place, as shall be determined by the Convention; and in case there shall be an epidemic disease, or any other good cause to render it necessary to alter the place fixed on for any such meeting of the Convention, the presiding Bishop shall have it in his power to appoint another convenient place (as near as may be to the place so fixed on) for the holding of such Convention; and special meetings may be called at other times, in the manner hereafter to be provided for; and this Church, in a majority of the Dioceses which shall have adopted this Constitution, shall be represented, before they shall proceed to business; except that the representation from two Dioceses shall be sufficient to adjourn: and in all business of the Convention, freedom of debate shall be allowed.

ARTICLE II.

The Church in each Diocese shall be entitled to a representation of both the Clergy and Laity, which representation shall consist of one or more deputies, not exceeding four of each order, chosen by the Convention of the Diocese; and in all questions, when required by the Clerical and Lay representation from any Diocese, each order shall have one vote; and the majority of suffrages by Dioceses shall be conclusive in each order, provided such majority comprehend a majority of the Dioceses represented in that order. The concurrence of both orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the Convention. If the Convention of any Diocese should neglect or decline to appoint Clerical Deputies, or if they should neglect or decline to appoint Lay Deputies, or if any of those of either order appointed, should neglect to attend, or be prevented by sickness or any other accident, such Diocese shall nevertheless be considered as duly represented by such deputy or deputies as may attend, whether Lay or Clerical. And if, through the neglect of the Convention of any of the Churches which shall have adopted, or may hereafter adopt, this Constitution, no Deputies, either Lay or Clerical, should attend at any General Convention, the Church in such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of such Convention.

ARTICLE III.

The Bishops of this Church, when there shall be three or more, shall, whenever General Conventions are held, form a separate House, with a right to originate and propose acts, for the concurrence of the House of Deputies, composed of Clergy and Laity; and when any proposed act shall have passed the House of Deputies, the same shall be transmitted to the House of Bishops, who shall have a negative thereupon; and all acts of the Convention shall be

authenticated by both Houses. And in all cases, the House of Bishops shall signify to the Convention their approbation or disapprobation (the latter with their reasons in writing) within three days after the proposed act shall have been reported to them for concurrence; and in failure thereof, it shall have the operation of a law. But until there shall be three or more Bishops, as aforesaid, any Bishop attending a General Convention shall be a member *ex officio* and shall vote with the Clerical Deputies of the Diocese to which he belongs; and a Bishop shall then preside.

ARTICLE IV.

The Bishop or Bishops in every Diocese shall be chosen agreeably to such rules as shall be fixed by the Convention of the Diocese; and every Bishop of this Church shall confine the exercise of his Episcopal office to his proper Diocese or district, unless requested to ordain or confirm, or perform any other act of the Episcopal office, by any church destitute of a Bishop.

ARTICLE V.

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or any Territory thereof not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted on acceding to this Constitution; and a new Diocese to be formed from one or more existing Dioceses, may be admitted under the following restrictions.

No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any other Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses or parts of Dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, as well as of the General Convention.

No such new Diocese shall be formed, which shall contain less than eight thousand square miles in one body, and thirty Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed, if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than eight thousand square miles, or less than thirty Presbyters who have been residing therein, and settled and qualified as above mentioned.

In case one Diocese shall be divided into two Dioceses, the Diocesan of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the Diocesan thereof. And the Assisting Bishop, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

Whenever the division of a Diocese into two Dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the two Dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either Diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a Diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses, to which the greater number of Clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

ARTICLE VI.

In every Diocese the mode of trying Clergymen shall be instituted by the Convention of the Church therein. At every trial of a Bishop, there shall be one or more of the Episcopal order present; and none but a bishop shall pronounce sentence of deposition or degradation from the ministry on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, or Presbyter or Deacon.

ARTICLE VII.

No person shall be admitted to Holy Orders, until he shall have been examined by the Bishop, and by two Presbyters, and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons, in that case provided, may direct. Nor shall any person be ordained until he shall have subscribed the following

declaration:—"I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the doctrines and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States." No person ordained by a foreign Bishop shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church, until he shall have complied with the Canons or Canon in that case provided, and have also subscribed the aforesaid declaration.

ARTICLE VIII.

A Book of Common Prayer, Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, Articles of Religion, and a Form and Manner of Making, Ordaining and Consecrating Bishops, Priests and Deacons, when established by this or that future General Convention, shall be used in the Protestant Episcopal Church, in those Dioceses which shall have adopted this Constitution. No alteration or addition shall be made in the Book of Common Prayer, or other offices of the Church, or the Articles of Religion, unless the same shall be proposed in one General Convention, and by a resolve thereof made known to the Convention of every Diocese, and adopted at the subsequent General Convention.

ARTICLE IX.

This Constitution shall be unalterable, unless in General Convention, by the Church, in a majority of the Dioceses which may have adopted the same; and all alterations shall be first proposed in one General Convention, and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions before they shall be finally agreed to, or ratified in the ensuing General Convention.

Done in the General Convention of the Bishops, Clergy, and Laity of the Church, the 2d day of October, 1789.

NOTE.—When the Constitution was originally adopted in August, 1789, the first article provided that the Triennial Convention should be held on *the first Tuesday in August*. At the adjourned meeting of the Convention, held in October of the same year, it was provided that *the second Tuesday in September, in every third year*, should be the time of meeting. The time was again changed to *the third Tuesday in May*, by the General Convention of 1804.—See Bioren's edition of the Journals of the General Convention, 1817, pp. 61, 75, and 216

The first article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1823.

The third article was so altered by the General Convention of 1808, as to give the House of Bishops a full veto upon the proceedings of the other House.—See Journals of the General Convention, pp. 248, 249.

The second sentence of the eighth article was adopted at the General Convention of 1811.—See Journals of General Convention, p. 274.

The words "or the Articles of Religion," were added to the eighth article by the General Convention of 1829.

The fifth article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1838.

The same Convention adopted the following alterations.—See Journal of General Convention of 1838, p. 24.

Strike out the word "States" wherever it occurs in the first and second articles, except where it follows the word "United," in the first part of the first article, and insert in lieu of the word "States" the word "Dioceses." Strike out the word "State" wherever it occurs in the second, third and fourth articles, and insert in lieu thereof the word "Diocese."

Strike out the words "or District" in the fourth article.

Strike out the word "State" in the sixth article, and insert the word "Diocese."

Strike out the word "States" in the eighth article, and insert the word "Dioceses;" and in the eighth article strike out the words "or State" after the words "every Diocese."

Strike out the word "States" in the ninth article, and insert the word "Dioceses." Strike out the word "State" in the ninth article, and insert the word "Diocesan."

CANONS

For the Government of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. Passed in General Convention, in Philadelphia, September, 1838.

CANON I.

Of the Election of Bishops.

[Former Canons on this subject were the first of 1795; the second of 1808; the first of 1817; the second of 1826; the second of 1832, and the first of 1835.]

SECT. 1. Any Diocese in union with this Church, having at the time less than six officiating Presbyters residing therein, regularly settled in a Parish or Church, and qualified to vote for a Bishop; and any Diocese at the time of its organization, with a view to ask for admission into union with this Church may, by a vote of the Convention thereof, request the general Convention to elect a Bishop for the same. And, thereupon, the House of Bishops may nominate to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, for their concurrence, a suitable person for the office of Bishop, who shall, in case of their concurrence, be consecrated as the Bishop of such Diocese. The evidence of the concurrence of the Clerical and Lay Deputies, shall be a certificate, to be signed by a Constitutional majority of them, agreeably to the form required by the III. Canon of 1832, to be signed by the members of the Convention, in a Diocese whence a person is recommended for consecration.

SECT. 2. To entitle a Diocese to the choice of a Bishop by the Convention thereof, there must be at the time of such choice, and have been during the year previous, at least six officiating Presbyters therein, regularly settled in a Parish or Church, and qualified to vote for a Bishop; and six or more Parishes represented in the Convention electing. But two or more adjoining Dioceses, not having respectively the requisite number of Presbyters, to entitle either to the choice of a Bishop, may associate and proceed to the choice of a Bishop, to exercise Jurisdiction alike in each of the associated Dioceses, if there be at the time of such choice, and have been during the year previous, nine or more such Presbyters, residing in any part of such associated Dioceses qualified as aforesaid: and the Bishop so elected, shall exercise Episcopal jurisdiction over each of the associated Dioceses, until such time as some one of said Dioceses, having six or more Presbyters canonically qualified to elect a Bishop, shall elect him, and he shall have accepted the office as its own exclusive Diocesan: whereupon, his connection with the other associated Diocese, or Dioceses, shall cease and determine: provided always, that the Dioceses thus associating in the election of a common Bishop, and the Conventions thereof, shall in all other respects remain as before, unconnected and independent of each other; and, provided also, that such association shall be dissolved on the demise of the Bishop, if not before.

SECT. 3. A Minister is settled for all purposes here, or elsewhere mentioned

in these Canons, who has been engaged permanently by any Parish, according to the rules of said Diocese, or for any term not less than one year.

SECT. 4. The II. Canon of 1832, the special Canon of 1832, and the I. Canon of 1835, are hereby repealed.

CANON II.

Of Missionary Bishops.

[The former Canon on this subject was the second of 1835.]

SECT. 1. The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies may, from time to time, on nomination by the House of Bishops, elect a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop, or Bishops, of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in States or Territories not organized as Dioceses. The evidence of such election shall be a Certificate, to be subscribed by a constitutional majority of said House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in the form required by the III. Canon of 1832, to be given by the members of Diocesan Conventions, on the recommendations of Bishops elect for consecration, which Certificate shall be produced to the House of Bishops; and if the House of Bishops shall consent to the consecration, they may take order for that purpose.

SECT. 2. The Bishop or Bishops so elected and consecrated, shall exercise Episcopal functions in such States and Territories, in conformity with the Constitution and Canons of the Church, and under such regulations and instructions, not inconsistent therewith, as the House of Bishops may prescribe.

SECT. 3. The jurisdiction of this Church, extending in right, though not always in form, to all persons belonging to it within the United States, it is hereby enacted, that each Missionary Bishop shall have jurisdiction over the Clergy in the District assigned him; and may, in case a presentment and trial of a Clergyman become proper, request the action of any Presbyters and Standing Committee, in any Diocese sufficiently near, and the presentment and trial shall be according to the Constitution and Canons of said Diocese. And the House of Bishops may at any time increase or diminish the number of States, or Territories, over which the said Bishop or Bishops shall exercise Episcopal functions. And in case of the death or resignation of a Missionary Bishop, the charge of the vacant Missionary Episcopate shall devolve on the senior Bishop of this Church, with the power of appointing some other Bishop as his substitute in the said charge.

SECT. 4. The House of Clerical and Lay deputies may, on nomination by the House of Bishops, in like manner, from time to time, elect, and the House of Bishops consenting thereto, may, in like manner, take order for the consecration of a suitable person to be a Bishop of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in any place or places out of the Territory of the United States, which the House of Bishops may designate.

SECT. 5. Any Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Canon, shall be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, and shall be eligible to the office of Diocesan Bishop in any organized Diocese within the United States.

SECT. 6. Every such Bishop shall report to each General Convention his proceedings, and the state and condition of the Church in said States and Territories, and place or places out of the territory of the United States, and at least once a year make a report to the Board of Missions.

SECT. 7. The second Canon of 1835 is hereby repealed.

CANON III.

Of the Performance of Episcopal Duties in Vacant Dioceses.

[Former Canons on this subject were the first of 1795; the twentieth of 1808, and the seventh of 1832.]

SECT. 1. Any Bishop, Assistant Bishop, or Missionary Bishop, may, on the invitation of the Convention, or the Standing Committee of any Diocese where there is no Bishop, visit and perform Episcopal offices in that Diocese, or in

any part thereof. And this invitation may be temporary ; and it may, at any time, be revoked.

SECT. 2. A Diocese without a Bishop may, by its Convention, be placed under the full Episcopal charge and authority of the Bishop of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop, who shall, by that act, become the Bishop also of the said vacant Diocese, until a Bishop is duly elected and consecrated for the same, or until the said act of its Convention be revoked. And in case there shall be an Assistant Bishop of the Diocese, under the Episcopal charge of whose Bishop the Diocese without a Bishop shall be placed, the said Assistant Bishop shall have the like charge and authority therein as he has in the Diocese of which he has been chosen Assistant Bishop.

SECT. 3. No Diocese thus placed under the full charge and authority of the Bishop of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop, shall invite a second Bishop to perform any Episcopal duty, or exercise authority, till its connection with the first Bishop has expired, or is revoked.

SECT. 4. The seventh Canon of 1832 is hereby repealed.

CANON IV.

Of Candidates for Orders.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1795 ; the seventh of 1804 ; the seventh of 1808 ; the eighth of 1820 ; the first of 1823 ; the Canon of 1826, and the ninth Canon of 1832.]

SECT. 1. Every person who desires to become a Candidate for Orders in this Church shall, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to such body as the Church in the Diocese in which he intends to apply, may appoint, or, where no appointment is made, to the President of the Standing Committee.

SECT. 2. No person shall be considered as a Candidate for Orders in this Church, unless he shall have produced to the Bishop, to whom he intends to apply for Orders, a Certificate from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of the said Bishop, that from personal knowledge, or from testimonials laid before them, they believe that he is pious, sober, and honest ; that he is attached to the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and a Communicant of the same ; and, in their opinion, possesses such qualifications, as will render him apt and meet to exercise the ministry to the glory of God and the edifying of the Church. And when the Standing Committee do not certify as above, from personal knowledge, the testimonials laid before them shall be of the same purport, and as full as the certificate above required, and shall be signed by at least one Presbyter, and four respectable Laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

SECT. 3. In addition to the above testimonials, the person wishing to become a Candidate must lay before the Standing Committee a satisfactory Diploma, or a Certificate from the instructor or instructors of some approved Literary Institution, which Certificate must state what have been his studies, and the extent of his improvement in them ; or a Certificate from two Presbyters, appointed by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, to examine him, of his possessing such Academical Learning, as may enable him to enter advantageously on a course of Theology.

SECT. 4. When a person applying to be admitted a Candidate, wishes the knowledge of the Latin, Greek, and Hebrew languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, the Standing Committee shall not recommend him as a Candidate, until he has laid before them a testimonial, signed by at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating, that in their opinion, he possesses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence ; and the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall have granted said dispensation. This dispensation shall not be granted to any person under twenty-seven years of age, nor shall any person be ordained under such dispensation, until he shall have attained thirty years of age. And in regard to the knowledge of the He-

brew language in all cases in these Canons, the Bishop shall have the sole discretion of dispensation, without reference to the age of the Candidate, as mentioned in this section.

SECT. 5. With this enumeration of qualifications it ought to be made known to the Candidate, that the Church expects of him, what can never be the test of any outward standard—an inward fear and worship of ALMIGHTY GOD; a love of Religion and a sensibility to his holy influence; a habit of devout affection; and, in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in Scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone his sacred influences can be manifested.

SECT. 6. The requisition of this Canon being fulfilled, the Bishop may admit the person as a Candidate for Orders, and shall record the same in a Book to be kept for that purpose, and notify the Candidate of such record. And in any Diocese where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee may, on the same conditions, admit the person as a Candidate, and shall make record and notification in the same manner.

SECT. 7. If, after obtaining the Canonical Testimonials from the Standing Committee, the person be admitted as a Candidate by the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, he shall remain a Candidate for the term of three years before his ordination, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain the Candidate after the expiration of a shorter period, not less than one year.

SECT. 8. A Candidate for Orders may, on letters of dismission from the Bishop or Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he was admitted a Candidate, be ordained by any Bishop of this Church. And if there be a Bishop within the Diocese where the Candidate resides, he shall apply to no other Bishop for ordination without the permission of the former.

SECT. 9. If any Candidate for Orders shall not, within three years after his admission, apply to have his first and second examinations held, as hereafter prescribed, or if he shall not, within five years from his admission, apply to have his third and fourth examinations held, (unless the Bishop, for satisfactory reasons to him assigned, shall allow him further time,) the said person shall, in either case, cease to be a Candidate.

SECT. 10. A person desirous of becoming a Candidate for Holy Orders, shall apply to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he resides, unless the said Bishop or ecclesiastical authority shall give their consent to his application in some other Diocese. Candidates shall not change their Canonical residence but for *bona fide* causes, requiring the same to be judged of by the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority; and they shall not be dismissed from the Dioceses in which they were admitted, or to which they have been duly transferred, for the convenience of attending any Theological or other Seminary.

SECT. 11. The ninth Canon of 1832 is hereby repealed.

CANON V.

Of the Learning of those who are to be Ordained.

[Former Canons on this subject were the seventh of 1789, altered in 1792; the fourth of 1795; the fourth of 1799; the second of 1801; the ninth of 1808, and the thirteenth of 1832.]

SECT. 1. No person shall be ordained in this Church until he shall have satisfied the Bishop and the Presbyters by whom he shall be examined, that he is well acquainted with Holy Scriptures, can read the Old Testament in the Hebrew language, and the New Testament in the original Greek: is adequately acquainted with the Latin tongue, and that he hath a competent knowledge of Natural and Moral Philosophy, and Church History, and hath paid attention to composition and pulpit eloquence, as means of giving additional efficacy to his labors; unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee of his Diocese, has dispensed with the knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, in consideration of such other qualifications of the Gospel Ministry as are set forth in

the fourth section of Canon VI. The dispensation with a knowledge of the Hebrew language, to be regarded as in Canon VI.

SECT. 2. The thirteenth Canon of 1832 is hereby repealed.

CANON VI.

Candidates for Orders Ineligible to the General Convention.

No person who is a Candidate for Holy Orders in this Church, shall be permitted to accept from any Diocesan Convention an appointment as a Lay Deputy to the house of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention.

CANON VII.

Concerning Candidates for Orders in this Church who have been Ministers, Licentiates, or Students of Theology, among other Religious Denominations.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1804 ; the seventeenth of 1808 ; the fourth and fifth of 1820 ; the first of 1829 ; the twenty-first and twenty-fourth of 1832 ; and the third of 1835.]

SECT. 1. All persons seeking admission to the Ministry of this Church, are to be regarded as Candidates for Holy Orders.

SECT. 2. When a person who, not having had Episcopal Ordination, has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister or Licentiate among any other denomination of Christians, shall desire to be ordained in this Church, he shall give notice thereof to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he resides ; or if he resides in a State or Territory in which there is no organized Diocese, to the Missionary Bishop within whose jurisdiction he resides ; which notice shall be accompanied with a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating, that from personal knowledge of the party, or satisfactory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire to leave the denomination to which he has belonged has not arisen from any circumstances unfavorable to his religious or moral character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the exercise of the Ministry in this Church : and they may also add what they know, or believe on good authority, of the circumstances leading to the said desire.

SECT. 3. If the Bishop or Standing Committee shall think proper to proceed, the party applying to be received as a Candidate, shall produce to the Standing Committee the same testimonial of literary qualifications as are required of all other Candidates ; and also a testimonial from at least twelve members of the denomination from which he came, or twelve members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or twelve persons, in part of the denomination from which he came, and in part Episcopalians, satisfactory to the Committee, that the applicant has, for three years last past, lived piously, soberly, and honestly ; and also, a testimonial from at least two Presbyters of this Church, that they believe him to be pious, sober, and honest, and sincerely attached to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Church. The Standing Committee being satisfied on these points, may recommend him to the Bishop to be received as a Candidate for Orders in this Church, or in a vacant Diocese the Standing Committee may so receive him.

SECT. 4. Candidates admitted as above may, at the expiration of a period not less than six months, be ordained, on their passing the same examinations as other Candidates for Deacon's Orders ; and in the examinations, special regard shall be had to those points in which the denomination whence they come differs from this Church, with a view of testing their information and soundness in the same ; and also to the ascertaining that they are adequately acquainted with the liturgy and offices of this Church ; provided, that in their case the testimonials shall be required to cover only the time since their admission as Candidates for Orders ; and provided, also, that the provisions of the Canon concerning Candidates for Orders, as far as the same relates to the age of the person to whom the dispensation may be granted, and the mode and restric-

tions in and under which the same may be granted, shall apply to the persons mentioned in this Canon.

SECT. 5. Every Candidate for the Ministry of any other denomination, who applies to be received as a Candidate for Orders in this Church, may be allowed by the Bishop, with the consent of the members of the Standing Committee, the period of time during which he has been a student of Theology, or Candidate in such other denomination: provided, the time so allowed does not exceed two years.

SECT. 6. When any person, not a Citizen of the United States, who has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister among any other denomination of Christians, shall apply for Orders in this Church, the Bishop to whom application is made, shall require of him (in addition to the above qualifications) satisfactory evidence that he has resided at least one year in the United States previous to his application.

SECT. 7. The third Canon of 1835 is hereby repealed.

CANON VIII.

Of the Organizing of New Dioceses Formed out of Existing Dioceses.

SECT. 1. Whenever any new Diocese shall be formed within the limits of any other Diocese, or by the junction of two or more Dioceses or parts of Dioceses, and the same shall have been ratified by the General Convention, the Bishop of the Diocese within the limits of which another is formed, or in case of the junction of two or more Dioceses or parts of Dioceses, the Bishop of eldest consecration over the Dioceses furnishing portions of such new Diocese, shall thereupon call the Primary Convention of the new Diocese for the purpose of enabling it to organize, and shall fix the time and place of holding the same, such place being within the territorial limits of the new Diocese.

SECT. 2. In case there shall be no Bishop who can call such Primary Convention pursuant to the foregoing provisions, then the duty of calling such Convention for the purpose of organizing, and the duty of fixing the time and place of its meeting, shall be vested in the Standing Committee of the eldest of the Dioceses, by the junction of which, or parts of which, the new Diocese may be formed. And such Standing Committee shall make such call immediately after the ratification of a division by the General Convention.

SECT. 3. Whenever one Diocese is about to be divided into two Dioceses, the Convention of the said Diocese shall declare which portion thereof is to be the new Diocese, and shall make the same known to the General Convention before the ratification of such division.

CANON IX.

Of the Mode of Publishing Authorized Editions of the Book of Common Prayer, &c.

[Former Canons on this subject were the third of 1801; the forty-third of 1808; the Canon of 1821; the forty-sixth of 1832, and the sixth of 1835.]

SECT. 1. The Bishop of this Church in any Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee thereof shall appoint one or more Presbyters of the Diocese, who shall compare and correct all now editions of the Common Prayer Book, the articles, offices, and metre psalms and hymns, by some standard book; and a certificate of said editions having been so compared and corrected, shall be published with the same. And in case any edition shall be published without such correction, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or, where there is no Bishop, of the Standing Committee, to give public notice that such edition is not authorized by the Church.

SECT. 2. Editions from the Stereotype Plates of the Prayer Book of the Female Episcopal Prayer-Book Society, of Philadelphia, comprising the Common Prayer-Book, the articles, offices, psalms in metre, selected from the psalms of David, and hymns, are hereby established as the standard; together with the whole Book of Psalms in metre, in the duodecimo edition, published by

the New-York Protestant Episcopal Press in 1839; with the exception of errors evidently typographical; the correction of which errors is confided to such person or persons as the Bishop or Standing Committee may appoint for superintending any publication.

SECT. 3. The sixth Canon of 1835 is hereby repealed. *

CANON X.

Of defraying the Expenses of General Convention.

[The former Canons on this subject were the fifty-fourth of 1832, and the eighth of 1835.]

SECT. 1. In order that the contingent expenses of General Conventions may be defrayed, it shall be the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Treasurer of this Convention, at ~~the~~ before any meetings of the General Convention, seventy-five cents for each Clergyman within said Diocese.

SECT. 2. The eighth Canon of 1835 is hereby repealed.

CANON XI.

Of Repealed Canons.

SECT. 1. Whenever there shall be a repealing clause in any Canon, and the said Canon shall be repealed, such repeal shall not be a re-enactment of the Canon or Canons repealed by the said repealing clause.

SECT. 2. The provisions of this Canon shall also apply to Canons heretofore passed having repealing clauses.

Done in General Convention, in the City of Philadelphia, September, 1838.

By order of the House of Bishops,

ALEXANDER V. GRISWOLD, D. D., *Presiding Bishop.*

Attested, BIRD WILSON, D. D., *Secretary.*

By order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies,

WILLIAM E. WYATT, D. D., *President.*

Attested, HENRY ANTHON, D. D., *Secretary.*

*The following Resolutions were ordered to accompany the forty-sixth Canon of 1832:

Resolved, That the French translation of the Book of Common Prayer, and the Articles of Religion, printed in New-York, by T. & J. Swords, in the year 1831, be, and the same hereby is, declared to be the Liturgy which may be used by any Minister of this Church, who may officiate in a Congregation to whom the French language is familiar, and that the Edition of the Book of Common Prayer in the French language, printed in 1831 by the Messrs. T. & J. Swords, of New-York, be, and the same hereby is established as the Standard Book, whereby all future Editions of the Book of Common Prayer and Articles, in the French language, shall be compared and corrected.

Resolved, That the provisions of the forty-sixth of the Canon passed by this Convention,† except as far as the said Canon establishes Standard Books, shall be applied to the publication of all future Editions of the Book of Common Prayer and Articles in the French language.

†*Note.* The above named provisions of the forty-sixth Canon of 1832, are the same as those of the first section of the ninth Canon of 1838.

APPENDIX.

NO. VI.

LIST OF CHURCHES IN THE DIOCESE OF NEW-YORK.

Albany county,	Albany,	St. Paul's.
		St. Peter's.
	Cohoes,	St. John's.
	Rensselaerville,	Trinity.
Allegany county,	West Troy,	Trinity.
	Angelica,	St. Paul's.
	Hunt's Hollow,	St. Mark's.
Broome county,	Binghamton,	Christ.
	Harpersville,	St. Luke's.
Cattaraugus county,	Ellicottville,	St. John's.
	Olean,	St. Stephen's.
Cayuga county,	Auburn,	St. Peter's.
	Aurora,	St. Paul's.
	Moravia,	St. Mathew's.
	Forestville,	St. Peter's.
Chautauque county,	Fredonia,	Trinity.
	Jamestown,	St. Luke's.
	Mayville,	St. Paul's.
	Westfield,	St. Peter's.
	Big Flats,	St. Paul's.
Chemung county,	Elmira,	Trinity.
	Jefferson,	St. James'.
	Johnson's Settlement,	St. John's.
	Bainbridge,	St. Peter's.
	Coventry,	Trinity.
Chenango county,	Fayetteville,	Christ.
	Greene,	Zion.
	Mount Upton,	Grace.
	New Berlin,	St. Andrew's.
	Norwich,	Emmanuel.
	Oxford,	St. Paul's.
	Sherburne,	Christ.
	Plattsburgh,	Trinity.
	Hudson,	Christ.
	Homer,	Calvary.
Clinton county,	Delhi,	St. John's.
Columbia county,	Hobart,	St. Peter's.
Cortland county,	Walton,	Christ.
Delaware county,	Fishkill,	Trinity.
	Fishkill Landing,	St. Anna's.
	Hyde Park,	St. James'.
	Lithgow,	St. Peter's.
	Pleasant Valley,	St. Paul's.
	Poughkeepsie,	Christ.
		St. Paul's.
	Upper Red Hook,	St. Paul's.
Dutchess county,	Wappinger's Creek,	Zion.

Erie county,	Aurora ville,	St. Paul's.
	Black Rock,	Grace.
	Buffalo,	St. Paul's.
		Trinity.
Franklin county,	Malone,	St. Mark's.
Genesee county,	Batavia,	St. James'.
	Le Roy,	St. Mark's.
	Sheldon,	St. John's.
	Wethersfield,	St. Clement's.
Greene county,	Athens,	Trinity.
	Cairo,	Calvary.
	Catskill,	St. Luke's.
	Greenville,	Christ.
	Oak Hill,	St. Paul's.
	Windham,	Trinity.
Herkimer county,	Fairfield,	Trinity.
	Little Falls,	Emmanuel.
	Mohawk,	St. Luke's.
	Norway,	Grace.
Jefferson county,	Brownville,	St. Paul's.
	Pierrepont Manor,	Zion.
	Sacket's Harbour,	Christ.
	Watertown,	Trinity.
King's county,	Brooklyn,	Christ.
		St. Ann's.
		St. John's.
		St. Mary's.
		St. Paul's.
		St. Peter's.
		Trinity.
	Flatbush,	St. Paul's.
	Fort Hamilton,	St. John's.
	Williamsburgh,	St. Mark's.
	Lowville,	Trinity.
Lewis county,	Turin,	St. Paul's, with St.
		Paul's Chapel,
		Constableville.
Livingston county,	Dansville,	St. Peter's.
	Geneseo,	St. Michael's.
	Mount Morris,	St. John's.
	West Avon,	Zion.
Madison county,	Hamilton,	St. Thomas'.
	Perryville,	St. Stephen's.
Monroe county,	Penfield,	Trinity.
	Rochester,	Grace.
		St. Luke's.
Montgomery county,	Fonda,	St. Stephen's.
	Johnstown,	St. John's.
	Port Jackson,	St. Ann's.
New-York City and county,		All Saints'.
		Ascension.
		Calvary.
		Christ.
		Epiphany.
		Grace.

York City and county,		Holy Evangelists. Messiah. Nativity. St. Andrew's. St. Bartholomew's. St. Clement's. St. Esprit. St. George's. St. James'. St. Luke's. St. Mark's. St. Mary's. St. Michael's. St. Peter's, St. Philip's. St. Stephen's. St. Thomas'. St. Timothy's. Trinity, with St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels.
ra county,	Lewiston, Lockport,	Zion. St. Paul's. Christ. Grace.
a county,	Holland Patent, New Hartford, Oriskany, Paris, Rome, Utica,	St. Paul's. St. Stephen's. St. Peter's. St. Paul's. Zion. Trinity.
daga county,	Fayetteville, Geddes, Jamesville, Manlius, Marcellus, Onondaga, Pompey, Skaneateles, Syracuse,	Trinity. Apostolic. St. Mark's. Christ. St. John's. Zion. Christ. St. James'. St. Paul's.
io county,	Allen's Hill, Canandaigua, Centrefield, Geneva,	St. Paul's. St. John's. Trinity. Trinity.
ge county,	Goshen, Newburgh, New Windsor, Walden,	St. James'. St. George's. St. Thomas'. St. Andrew's.
ns county,	Medina,	St. John's.
go county,	Constantia, Fulton,	Trinity. Zion.
o county,	Oswego, Cherry Valley, Cooperstown, Exeter, Gilbertsville,	Christ. Trinity. Christ. St. John's. Christ.

Otsego county,	Louisville, Monticello, Otego, Unadilla,	Zion. St. Luke's. Immanuel. St. Matthew's.
Putnam county,	Patterson, Phillipstown,	Christ. St. Philip's.
Queen's county,	Cold Spring Harbour, Flushing, Glen Cove, Hallett's Cove, Hempstead,	St. John's. St. George's. St. Paul's. St. George's. St. George's, with Trinity Chapel, Rockaway.
	Hempstead Harbour, Jamaica, Little Neck, Manhasset, Newtown, Oyster Bay, Lansingburgh, Troy,	St. Mary's. Grace. Zion. Christ. St. James'. Christ. Trinity. Christ. St. John's. St. Paul's.
Richmond county,	Richmond,	St. Andrew's, with Trinity Chapel, Factoryville.
Saratoga county,	Tompkinsville, Ballston Spa, Charlton, Mechanicsville, Milton, Saratoga Springs, Stillwater, Waterford, West Charlton,	St. Paul's. Christ. St. Paul's. St. Luke's. St. James'. Bethesda. St. John's. Grace. St. Mary's.
Schenectady county,	Duanesburgh, Schenectady,	Christ. St. George's.
Seneca county,	Seneca Falls, Waterloo,	Trinity. St. Paul's.
Steuben county,	Bath, Hammond's Port,	St. Thomas'. St. James'.
St. Lawrence county,	Canton, Morristown, Ogdensburgh, Potsdam, Waddington,	Grace. Christ. St. John's. Trinity. St. Paul's.
Suffolk county,	Huntington, Islip, Setauket,	St. John's. St. John's. St. John's. Caroline.
Sullivan county,	Monticello,	St. John's.
Tioga county,	Candor, Richford,	St. Mark's. St. John's.
Tompkins county,	Danby, Hector, Ithaca, McLean,	Christ. Trinity. St. John's. Zion.

Ulster county,	Kingston,	St. John's.
	Marlborough,	Christ.
	Ulster,	Trinity.
Washington county,	Granville,	Trinity.
	Hampton,	Christ.
	Sandy Hill,	Zion.
	Whitehall,	St. Paul's.
Wayne county,	Palmyra,	Zion.
	Sodus,	St. John's.
Westchester county,	Bedford,	St. Matthew's.
	Eastchester,	St. Paul's.
	Greenburgh,	Zion.
	Mamaroneck,	St. Thomas'.
	New Rochelle,	Trinity.
	North Salem,	St. James'.
	Pekskill,	St. Peter's.
	Rye,	Christ.
	Sing Sing,	St. Paul's.
	Tarry Town,	Christ.
	Westchester,	St. Peter's.
	Whiteplains,	Grace.
	Yonkers,	St. John's with a Chapel at Tuckahoe.
Penn Yan,	Yates county,	St. Mark's.
		Total 235.

APPENDIX.

— No. VII.

CHURCHES ADMITTED INTO THE UNION AT THIS CONVENTION.

Montgomery county,	Fonda,	St. Stephen's.
Otsega county,	Cherry Valley,	Trinity.
Lewis county,	Louisville,	Trinity.
Washington county,	Whitehall,	St. Paul's.
Suffolk county,	Huntington,	St. John's,—an old parish re-incorporated.

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